

GM Pact Chains Workers to 5 Yrs. Speedup

By William Allan

DETROIT, May 24. — Some 275,000 General Motors workers are being asked this week to approve a five-year cold war contract, negotiated by United Auto Workers President Walter Reuther.

The contract freezes working conditions and pensions, encourages speedup and bars any possibility of reopening negotiations for wage increases with the profit-swollen corporation for the next five years.

It ties the workers down to a wage-cutting escalator clause which, if Bureau of Labor Statistics cost-of-living estimates show a drop, means wages will be cut accordingly, as they were twice in the old contract.

The hated company security clause under which the employer can fire workers fighting speedup still remains.

A "union shop" clause was put in the contract by the corporation not for the purpose of solidifying the ranks of the union but instead to make the union leadership responsible for policing the sellout agreement in the shops.

Thousands of Negro and white workers, who had demanded a fair employment practices clause to force the

Philip Murray Joins GM Boss in Praise

DETROIT, May 24.—CIO president Philip Murray today joined General Motors Corp. president C. E. Wilson and Truman's Secretary of Labor Maurice Tobin in praising the GM contract which chains the workers to five years of speedup.

Murray called the pact an "amazing agreement and a most wholesome development." Wilson said, "It will have a stabilizing effect not only on our business but on the economy of the whole country." Tobin said "It indicates confidence in the future prosperity of this industry."

company to stop discriminatory hiring and its refusal to upgrade Negro workers, were again sold out as the new contract has no such provision.

The union leadership says nothing about how the thousands of piled-up grievances of the workers are to be settled, merely stating a "improved" grievance procedure is established. How many of the proposed 50 changes demanded by the rank and file GM workers in their pre-contract discussions were won is shrouded in mystery.

Wednesday, 24 hours after the contract was signed, foremen in all GM plants already had copies of the contract and were pushing it, with particular pressure being put on older workers. Workers who tried to circulate petitions against the contract had them ripped from their hands by company personnel.

The "4-cents-an-hour wage increase being ballyhooed here by Reuther and the corporation is really only 1 cent increase. In the old contract the workers got 3 cents an hour once a year as an annual improvement factor. Now it's 4 cents an hour, a 1-cent an hour increase.

Under the old contract, the workers took two wage cuts when BLS cost-of-living figures showed a drop. The cuts were one cent in 1948 and 2 cents in 1949. This canceled the 3 cents annual improvement wage increase of 1949.

Now Reuther again has tied wages for five years to BLS cost-of-living figures, despite the statement he made at a recent GM conference that no escalator would be negotiated this time.

With the escalator clause in effect the 4 cents improvement raise each year of the contract can be almost wiped out by escalator wage cuts.

The pension is the same as at Chrysler, \$100 a month, with 25 years seniority and 65 years of age before eligibility. Workers have to work 1700 hours a year. If there has been a two-year break in employment, credits begin from the time of re-employment. If federal benefits increase, the pension can go up to a maximum of \$117.50 a month if one has 50 years of service.

The workers pay half and the company half for hospitalization. A nickel an hour extra was gotten for tool and die makers.

Such basic questions as ousting the umpire and re-establishing a fighting stewards' system, obtaining a voice in setting standards of production, with production now piling up tremendous output and profits for GM, all were ditched as Reuther ties down the workers to a five-year contract, the longest in the union's history. He also is demanding now similar contracts be signed throughout the entire industry. This would leave him free to roam the world heating up the cold war.

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5,000 DEFY COP TERROR TO PROTEST NAZI RALLY 200 Walk Out at Town Hall Meet, Boo Gen. Clay

Five thousand determined pickets last night defied swarms of club-swinging cops to protest a pro-Nazi Town Hall rally. The picketing was mobilized by the American Jewish Labor Council.

Despite wanton police brutality the pickets, protesting the re-nazification of Germany, reformed their lines again and again, first in front of the Town Hall entrance on 43 St., then on Sixth Ave. and 44 St., and, when these lines were broken, they gathered again in Times Square and for blocks along Broadway.

Mayor O'Dwyer's police crashed into the lines again and again, singling out sign bearers for beating. Mounted police rode up on the

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FEPC Vigil Begins At White House Gates

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Cops Say: 'Peace Is Not a Labor Matter'

Police yesterday tried to prevent a rally in the garment center by the Labor Peace Conference by claiming that "peace is not a labor matter" and denying a permit for the meeting.

Protests to the Mayor's office and to Police Commissioner O'Brien resulted in the ban being countermanded by Inspector Fristensky, who

intervened and granted a permit. The rally was held at 36 St. and Eighth Ave. and was attended by several hundred garment workers. Many of the workers and passersby also signed petitions calling for outlawing of the A-bomb.

Another rally in the garment center will be held today at noon at 39 St. and Eighth Avenue.

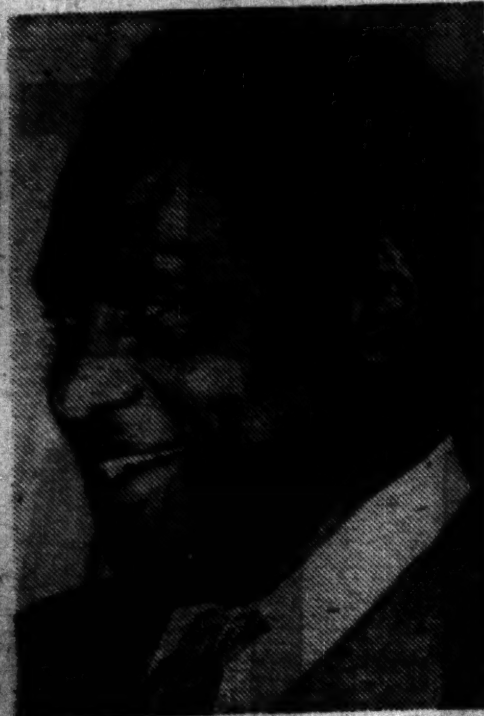
Robeson and Benson Lead FEPC Vigil

By Mel Fiske

WASHINGTON, May 24.—Elmer Benson and Paul Robeson, co-chairmen of the Progressive Party, today led the vigil for FEPC as it began in front of the White House.



BENSON



ROBESON

Back of them were trade union leaders, civic organization officials, and church representatives bearing placards urging President Truman to put the heat on Congress to adopt FEPC.

By 5 p.m., when the vigil ended its first day's march, more than 50 people had taken their turn in swings in front of the Presidential office. More are expected tomorrow as groups of FEPC supporters, representing many organizations, join the effort to keep the eyes of the nation focused on FEPC and what happens to it in Congress.

CARRY SIGNS

The signs borne by the marchers told what has happened to it so far. "Senators. Stop the Stall. Pass Civil Rights for All." "Mr. President: Keep Your Promise. Fight for FEPC." "Mr. President. We Can't Back Up a President Who Backs Down. Keep Your Promise."

Robeson, Benson and Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY), emphasized that the vigil was being conducted to arouse the "conscience of the American people" behind passage of FEPC and the anti-labor bill. Marcantonio maintained that the vigil, by keeping FEPC before the people, would

AN EDITORIAL

The FEPC has no chance of passage at this session of Congress unless an aroused citizenry forces it out of the demagogues on both sides of the aisle to pass it. The Progressive Party's continuous vigil gives the bill's supporters a chance to fight for it in the most effective fashion. We urge our readers to rally full backing to it.

"expose the sham and mockery of President Truman's words."

Robeson, who returned recently from a tour of the nation, said he found that "people everywhere feel deeply about FEPC and Congressional efforts to kill it. They'll come from everywhere to support this vigil," he predicted.

UNIONISTS MARCH

The West Coast was represented by two prominent trade unionists, Hugh Bryson and Eddie Tanguen, president and secretary,

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To Report on Peace Activity On 4 Continents

Reports on the peace movements of four continents will be made to a "Unite for Peace" meeting to be held Thursday, June 8, at 8 p.m. at Manhattan Center, 34 St. and Eighth Ave., it was announced last night by Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois, chairman of the Peace Information Center, the sponsoring group.

The Rev. Joseph Fletcher, Professor of Theology at the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge, Mass., will head a list of speakers recently returned from visits to Europe, Asia and Australia. Rev. Fletcher participated in last month's Australian Peace Conference, held in Melbourne. He traveled extensively throughout that great country addressing meetings in mining villages, rural towns, as well as in all the large cities.

Other speakers include O. John Rogge, Albert E. Kahn, Rockwell Kent and Johannes Steel, all of whom attended the third meeting of the World Peace Congress in Stockholm after joining international peace delegations that presented disarmament proposals to the parliaments of France, Sweden and the Soviet Union.

Dr. Gene Weltfish, Columbia anthropologist, will report on the peace movement in China, with special reference to the role of women. Paul Robeson will discuss the American peace movement. Chairman of the meeting will be Dr. Du Bois.

Tickets for the meeting can be obtained by phoning the Peace Information Center, MU 2-1022, or at bookshops.

NEGRO COLUMNIST ASSAILS UNFAIR JURY IN DENNIS CASE

Marion Inglewood, columnist for the California Eagle, leading West Coast Negro newspaper, asks what has become of the high ideals of American justice in the imprisonment of Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party.

Dennis is now serving a year's sentence for contempt of the House Un-American gang. The convicting jury included seven government workers who, Dennis declared in his appeal to the Supreme Court, acted out of fear for their jobs. The high court upheld the conviction.

"Unfair to ask a government employee to serve on such a jury," said the Eagle columnist. "Most unfair and unjust that a man's reputation should stand or fall at the hands of such a jury. What's become of the high ideals that once formed the warp and woof of our cloak of justice."

Queens CP Tops Fund Drive Goal

The Queens Communist Party has gone over the top in the New York State Fund Drive for \$650,000, but its sections are not stopping, Murray Savage, county chairman, told the Daily Worker yesterday.

First to reach their goal in the city, Queens Communists have gathered \$58,000, or \$1,000 more than they set out to reach. The drive has been extended nationally to June 15.

Outstanding among Queens sections was the concentrated Negro area of Jamaica, which hit the top in a fund drive for the first time in several years. Nassau County Communists, part of the Queens setup, collected \$15,000, and are going after several thousand additional.

"Members of our organization were thoroughly briefed on the political necessity for raising this money," Savage declared in explaining the reason for the county's success.

They realized what it meant for

the fight to defend our party and its leadership from the attacks of reaction, and they saw how the money was being used daily in bringing our message to the workers in the large factories in the county.

Savage also maintained that a large part of the money was collected from people outside of the party, though he declared it was difficult to estimate the actual amount. But the party aimed at reaching its many friends and others who recognized its fighting role for peace, democracy and economic welfare of the people.

He expressed confidence that Queens Communists would continue to raise the money needed by the party and the Daily Worker until the drive ended.

FBI Whips Up New 'Atomic Spy' Hoax

PHILADELPHIA, May 24.—The FBI whipping up its latest "Soviet spy" hoax, today with the announcement by director J. Edgar Hoover that Harry Gold, research chemist,

had "confessed" to passing on atom-bomb data. The 39-year-old Gold was arrested Monday for allegedly working with British scientist Klaus Fuchs, who was sentenced last March in a British court as a "Soviet agent."

By an obvious "coincidence," the arrest of Gold was timed to knock off the front pages the return tomorrow of United Nations secretary-general Trygve Lie and his anticipated report of Soviet proposals to end the cold war.

The British government's action in calling Fuchs a Soviet agent was branded by the Soviet news agency

Tass as a "gross fabrication, since Fuchs is unknown to the Soviet Union and no 'agents' of the Soviet Union had any connection with Fuchs."

Gold's arrest, according to the FBI, followed extended questioning of Fuchs, now in a London prison, on his "accomplices" by two FBI agents.

But it was pointed out here today that there was something fishy about Gold's arrest and his alleged confession. Fuchs had been seized suddenly, and without warning.

Since then, the newspapers have repeatedly quoted FBI statements to the effect that Fuchs' "aides" would be rounded up in the U.S. Yet, according to the FBI, Gold waited quietly in Philadelphia so that he could be arrested and promptly "confess" to the spy charge.

FBI director Hoover gave out to the press some alleged statements by Gold. He quoted Gold as saying "I was only helping the Soviet Union attain certain information that I thought it was entitled to" and that he thought "I would be helping a nation whose final aims I approved along the road to industrial strength."

But, Gold's brother, Joseph, 33, a civilian Navy employee declared that "my brother was never a Com-

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German Youth Stream Into Berlin for Rally

BERLIN, May 24.—Sixty thousand German youth have already streamed into Berlin for the weekend peace rally and festival over the Whitsuntide holiday. An estimated half million are expected to participate in the peace demonstration, sport and cultural events.

West German authorities were arresting hundreds of youth from the western zones seeking to join in the peace festival. Free German Youth leaders, sponsors of the demonstration, made it clear that they were organizing an orderly festival and demonstration of all-German youth. At the same time western occupation authorities were continuing their threats against the young people and there was still danger that they would seek to create disorders and provocations.

Fumes Overcome 3 Painters, Fireman

CANTON, O., May 24.—Three painters and a fireman who tried to rescue them were overcome by fumes in a water tank atop a milk company plant. All four were taken to the hospital after being given artificial respiration.

The three painters were Jack Beatty, 24, of Fremont, O.; George Peck, 32, also of Fremont, and Clyde Wendell, of Shelby. The fireman was William Snyder, whose mask ran out of air while he attempted to aid the painters.

Bevin Says UN Should Seat China

TRYGVE LIE SAYS PEACE TRIP MAY BRING RESULTS IN 3 MONTHS

LONDON, May 24.—Ernest Bevin, British foreign secretary, today told the House of Commons that the People's Government of China should be admitted to the United Nations.

Faced with the demand of the Chinese government that Britain should support its admission to UN before getting recognition from China, Bevin said he was trying to get seven of the 11 UN Security Council members to vote for replacing the Kuomintang by the Chinese Government.

Trygve Lie, UN secretary general, said last night before leaving for the U. S., that his peace mission might produce results within two or three months. He declared:

"I am not dissatisfied with my talks in the three European capitals. No doors have been closed. I return to the headquarters of the UN with the belief that the possibility of constructive negotiation exists."

Hope for ending the deadlock in the UN hinged on the seating of the Chinese People's Government.

So far, the U. S. delegation in UN has prevented the Security Council from ousting the Chiang Kai-shek clique.

In his statement to Commons, Bevin sought to blame the Soviet Union for the UN deadlock because it has consistently demanded the seating of the Chinese Government in line with the UN charter. Trygve Lie has supported the demand that the Chinese Government get its rightful permanent seat in UN.

GM Deal--Speedup Signal

AN EDITORIAL

THE GENERAL MOTORS - Reuther contract, sprung without warning in secret negotiations, is being given a tremendous buildup. The pro-Wall Street, pro-war press is selling it with huge headlines as something tremendous for the GM working men. Both Reuther and Philip Murray are pretending that the GM trust practically gave their auto plants away to the GM workers.

But the New York stock market knows better. Stocks rose happily in the news of the new contract. The stock market is being more truthful than the ballyhoo coming from Reuther, Murray and the GM chiefs. Here is why:

The proposed GM contract will hogtie every single worker in every single GM plant throughout the United States for five years against any strike action or work stoppage in protest against speedup or other work grievances!

Thus, the new five-year contract—the longest ever projected in any big industry in the history of American trade unionism—attempts to OUT-LAW ANY RESISTANCE TO HIGHER WORK QUOTAS or faster belt-line production. The new Reuther-GM contract opens every GM worker in the country to the peril of the fiercest speedup known in the industry.

THE BEAUTY OF THE PLAN for GM is that it will be the United Auto Workers officials themselves who will be the police to enforce this no-strike, no-stoppage serfdom from here to 1955. GM has been given the green light for the biggest sweating of labor since the days of the 12-hour day in the steel mills.

THIS IS A COLD WAR deal made by Reuther with the Wall Street-duPont tycoons who are rejoicing today that they can go ahead now with their huge "pork barrel" misnamed "defense" without any fear of labor's resistance to heavier work loads.

Reuther brags that this shows the world that our democracy really works. He brags that it will help the cold war. He is giving the show away. He shows that he is knowingly tying the GM workers to the chariot of the war machine. He thinks it is "democracy" if a handful of GM stockholders can coin huge profits out of hundreds of thousands of auto workers. He calls it democracy when he pulls a sneak play on the auto union which robs it of the only economic weapon it has—the right to strike for five years. The wage pattern is frozen for five years.

THE MUCH-HERALDED 4-CENTS-AN-HOUR INCREASE of which Reuther boasts so loudly fades away in the light of reality. The previous GM contract had awarded the men a 3-cents an hour annual increase; but this was tied to the notorious cost-of-living escalator clause under which the GM workers got two wage cuts.

To this previously gained 3 cents, Reuther now brings only 1 cent more in the new contract. And this 1-cent-an-hour increase is tied to the wage-cutting escalator clause which is now fastened even more firmly on the backs of GM labor for a full five years!

Reuther promised to drop this "escalator clause" by which GM's profits are protected through voluntary wage cuts. But the escalator clause has been clamped on the backs of the GM workers for five years. This will imperil even the one cent an hour increase which can be eaten away by statistical jugglery. Reuther promised the Negro workers job security through an industrial FEPC; he dropped that completely in the GM deal.

He offers pensions after 25 years in GM employment; but few workers indeed will be able to last out the terrific speedup to which Reuther has opened the floodgates.

THE GM BOSSES ARE OVERJOYED because they can now step up the productivity of every GM worker; they can extract far more out of each worker than the promised 4-cents-an-hour increase or the minor expenditures for welfare. The GM workers will give GM far more through speedup than GM gives them in penny increases. And the GM workers will be forbidden to fight back. The pension will be held as a club over their heads if they want to stop work. GM will say that stoppages cancel out the workers' right to a pension. Such is the sum and substance of the sneak play pulled on the GM workers by Reuther and the corporations.

It is obvious that what the GM workers need is a reconsideration of the entire deal. They ought to demand that Reuther reopen negotiations for a 1-year contract, with the right to strike, with no escalator swindles in it, with the right of every GM department to resist speedup through traditional labor action, and with a no-discrimination clause. If the GM departments lose this right, they will feel the lash as never before.

The new GM five-year contract is a dangerous precedent for the entire labor movement. It proves that the auto workers can no longer rely on top deals made in their name but against their welfare. These deals are not sacred; they cannot be relied on to protect the interests of the men in the plants. It is on their own united strength that the GM workers must depend from here on.

Press Bares Aim to Set Up Nazi Army

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, May 24.—Newspapers here today confirm the Daily Worker's charge this morning that the aim of the State Department's note to the Soviet Union yesterday was to set the stage for the creation of a new Nazi army in West Germany.

The International News Service said today that the U. S., Britain and France are reported planning a West German military force.

The Daily Worker this morning, citing persistent reports of a projected West German army, charged the U. S. note to Moscow protesting the alleged formation of a militarized police force in eastern Germany was in fact a preparation to justify U. S. moves to create a West German army.

The INS dispatch tends to confirm the truth of the Worker's charge. When the State Department was shown the dispatch, it denied it.

More confirmation was contained in an article by Jay C. Hayden, distributed by the North

American Newspaper Alliance. Hayden said the American note to Moscow was a "necessary and logical prelude to creating a counter German force in the almost three times as populous western zones."

Hayden added that if the USSR rejects the U. S. note, "this infraction could be made the basis for the renunciation by the western powers of all their postwar agreements with Russia."

The Washington Evening Star similarly revealed the real purpose of the U. S. note by remarking editorially that if the USSR refuses to dissolve its alleged military force in East Germany, "France, Britain and the U. S. will be justified in giving serious thought to the idea of organizing an adequate counterforce among the west Germans."

URGE ACTION NOW TO GET MUNDT BILL RECOMMITTED

WASHINGTON, May 24.—Each member of the Senate Judiciary Committee should receive every possible communication from his constituents within the next few days to support a motion to bring the Mundt bill back to the Committee Monday, the National Committee to Defeat the Mundt Bill declared today.

At the same time, its chairman, former Rep. Jerry J. O'Connell, said every senator should be urged to tell Senate Judiciary Committee members to take the Mundt bill off the Senate calendar. O'Connell warned "This may be the last real opportunity to get the bill off the Senate floor. So long as it is on the floor, the danger of a sneak attack to pass it will remain acute."

Members of the Judiciary Committee, in addition to Langer and O'Connor, are Sens. Pat McCarran (D-Nev.), Garrett Withers (D-Ky.), Harley Kilgore (D-WVa.), James O'Eastland (D-Miss.), Warren Magnuson (D-Wash.), Frank Graham (D-NC), and Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn.). Republican members are Alexander Wiley, Wisc., Homer Ferguson, Mich., Forrest Donnell, Mo., and William Jenner, Ind.

Dubinsky Bars Honor To Oldtimers by ILG

Special to the Daily Worker

ATLANTIC CITY, May 24.—The International Ladies Garment Workers' 50th jubilee convention today honored 11 charter members, but president Dubinsky informed the convention that such of the oldtime fighters who had any connection with the leftwing were not invited.

Dubinsky revealed that candidates for the honors and receipt of solid gold convention badges were screened when he came to (Continued on Page 9)

DENNIS IN JAIL FOR 14TH DAY

Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party, has now served 14 days of his one-year term for refusing to bow to the political inquisition of the Un-American Committee. He can be written to at Federal House of Detention, 427 West St., New York City 14, N. Y.

Also, have you dropped a line to President Truman demanding that Dennis be given his unconditional release?

Fur, Leather Parley Okays Officer Report Unanimously

By George Morris

ATLANTIC CITY, May 24.—The convention of the International Fur and Leather Workers Union today unanimously approved the report of the union's executive board, after a discussion, ending at 1:15 this morning, in which more than 40 speakers took part.

The discussion ran through three sessions. The convention's committees are meeting today to draw up in final form resolutions based on the general line of the adopted report. They will deal with specific topics, and will come up for action tomorrow and Friday.

Unlike most union convention discussions, this one was a real thrashing out of issues. Several delegates who had previously expressed differences, now expressed their change of mind and told why they did so.

Almost all speakers called for immediate withdrawal from the CIO. Only one actually suggested that there might be a possibility of "compromising" and staying in.

The other question to highlight the discussion was whether the union should comply with Taft-Hartley affidavits. Most speakers opposed compliance. The approved report places the issue in the hands of the incoming executive board, with authority to take all necessary action to protect the union, including compliance if need be.

Ben Gold, president of the union, told a press conference last night that if the convention passes a resolution to withdraw, which is now hardly in doubt, the union will not appear before the CIO's kangaroo trial scheduled June 6. Newsmen questioned Gold on

what his course would be if the union decided to comply. Gold is a member of the Communist Party. He said that on the basis of the action recommended by the board, he was not faced with choice of either resigning from the party or from the presidency until the problem confronts the union in practical form. That may not come up for some time.

During the discussion, most speakers who deal with compliance also stressed that they want no part of it if it meant losing Gold as president or other officers who

are Communists. Such expressions came especially from persons not identified with the left.

August Tomlinson, president of the Leather division, said, "if signing means we have to give up our president and some of other officers, then I am opposed."

Richard B. O'Keefe, board member of the New England district and head of its largest local, expressed similar opposition to compliance. He was also critical of Gold and other officers for having opposed his proposal to withdraw (Continued on Page 8)

Packinghouse Union Parley Faces Issues of Wages, Layoffs, Speedup

By Ruby Cooper

MINNEAPOLIS, May 24.—More than 500 delegates were assembling here today for the opening of the CIO United Packinghouse Workers convention tomorrow. The union represents some 200,000

workers, including all the Big Four's major plants. It is estimated that roughly one-third of the 500 delegates will be Negro workers who constitute a high proportion of the membership.

Biggest economic issues confronting the convention are the big drop in take-home wages for

packinghouse workers, mounting layoffs in the industry, and increasing speedup that is displacing workers.

The officers report, to be presented tomorrow, indicates that wage costs for the packers have dropped in the past year by 4.2 percent per pound of meat while

overall productivity in the industry have advanced over 4 percent.

Posing as one of the union's (Continued on Page 8)

Point of Order By ALAN MAX

Motto of the FBI: An atom "spy" a day keeps peace away.

Principal Forces Teachers To Take After-School Work

A junior high school principal here is forcing a few of his teachers to conduct a music and art festival tonight, while teachers throughout the city refuse to break their boycott of after-school work to win a salary increase, it was learned yesterday by the Daily Worker. Principal Michael Levine of Junior High School 40, the Bronx, has ordered six teachers to carry out the festival by enforcing his powers over probationary and substitute teachers.

Of those involved, four have not yet attained permanent tenure and are at Levine's mercy. Although the principal may boast that his is the only school where a festival was conducted this term after school, Levine is not getting his regular teachers to scab on the stoppage.

On Tuesday, the board of representatives of the High School Teachers Assn. voted unanimously to hold out for their demand for a \$600 annual increase.

The Teachers Union yesterday called the attention of Superintendent of Schools William Jansen to the situation at Junior High School 40. Jansen had said in his answer to Board of Education president Maximilian Moss that he did not hold by "enforced compliance" for teachers in the after-school program. He said he wanted "willing compliance."

Board of Education president Maximilian Moss and Jansen were called upon to include representatives of major teacher groups in all "future discussions and negotiations looking forward to the solution of the salary crisis."

On Monday, Moss had met with a handful of high school pupils, several parents and two representatives of the high school teachers groups allegedly for solving the salary crisis.

Unless representative groups are called, said the union, "the teachers will not consider that serious efforts are being made to meet the issue but will regard with suspicion the selection of some groups and omission of others. The teaching staff has been deceived and betrayed so many times during the past year precisely on the question of salary increases that they will not tolerate another sellout."

A special meeting of the Board of Education will be held tomorrow at 4 p.m. to act on the \$150-\$250 salary increases proposed for teachers and the \$7,500 annual boost for Jansen.

Anti-Mundt Bill Rally to Hear Sen. Langer

Sen. William Langer (R-ND) will address a meeting to protest against the Mundt-Nixon Bill tonight (Thursday), at Israel Terrace in Brooklyn. The meeting is sponsored by the Flatbush Citizens Committee to Defeat the Mundt Bill.

Among the scheduled speakers are Thaddeus Owens of the Brooklyn Branch, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Rev. Karl M. Chworowsky of the Flatbush Unitarian Church; Rev. Reginald H. Bass of the Central Community Church; Mrs. Betty Solomon, vice president of the Sisterhood of East Midwood Jewish Center, and Erwin R. Stern, president of the Stephen S. Wise chapter, Z.O.A.

Peace Rally

A Peace and Civil Rights meeting will be held at The Club Obrero Espanol, 1490 Madison Ave., tomorrow (Friday), at 8:30 p.m. The meeting is sponsored by The Yorkville-Harlem Committee for American-Soviet Friendship.

200 AT B'KLYN COLLEGE PROTEST BAN ON PAPER

By Arthur Rubin

More than 200 Brooklyn College students yesterday demanded reinstatement of their newspaper, Vanguard, at a meeting on the campus which protested the ban on the paper by President Harry F. Gideonson.

The meeting was called by the Emergency Committee for Student Rights, and was composed of a cross-section of organizations on campus. United in this fight to reinstate the newspaper, and the six staff members who were expelled, and to rescind the probationary sentences placed upon 51 students who published an independent paper attacking the school administration on this issue, were such groups as the Labor Youth League, the Philosophy Club, Psychology Club, the Young Republicans, Young Progressives of America, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and others, including social groups.

The students adopted a proposal to get 1,000 students to sponsor and publish a news and editorial organ of and by the students. Speaker after speaker attacked Gideonson's action as the beginning of a drive to abolish the students' voice in school affairs.

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Guinier Charges 'Racism' in Firing Of UPW Leaders

More than 2,000 prominent Harlem citizens were informed by mail yesterday that Welfare Commissioner Hilliard's dismissal of Miss Eleanor Goding, Negro union leader, was a "barefaced attempt to

paralyze a union that has never failed to fight for the rights of the Negro people." Ewart Guinier, international secretary-treasurer of the United Public Workers and chairman of the Harlem Trade Union Council, in letters to physicians, dentists, lawyers, businessmen and civic leaders, submitted facts to show that "racism is an official policy of our city."

Guinier pointed out that Miss Goding, president of Local 1, UPW, was suspended because of Hilliard's determination to bar the union's efforts "from speaking up for humane welfare policies and for adequate care for the needy regardless of race, color or creed." He termed Hilliard's charge of "tardiness" as a "palpable falsehood."

Giving facts to document his charge of racism as a policy of Mayor O'Dwyer, Guinier showed

that the first four dismissals of union members by Hilliard were Negroes and Puerto Ricans and that of the 186 union leaders penalized by the city administration 183 are Jewish, Negro or Puerto Ricans. Of the 52 union members given "below average" ratings in the Welfare Dept. last week 49 are Negroes or Jews.

"The Negro UPW leader urged recipients of the letter to write O'Dwyer, Hilliard and the Board of Education protesting anti-labor reprisals against city workers and teachers."

Aaron Schneider, president, and Charles Fay, secretary-treasurer of the United Labor Committee to Defeat Taft-Hartley, urged an all-out campaign by New Yorkers and unionists of all affiliation to defeat the administration's repressive union-busting drive.

The Committee has called a demonstration at City Hall for Wednesday, June 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. to demand an end to the Taft-Hartley regime of O'Dwyer and the "lockout" of UPW members in the Dept. of Welfare and the Board of Education.

'Telly' Blabs Reason For Arms to Asia

What does our government want in Asia? To stop communism, says Secretary Acheson. To protect freedom, says President Truman. But the 'World-Telegram,' impatient with the hypocrisy, talked cold turkey about the cold war. On Monday, the Telly explained that "Asiatic Reds" are fighting the "white man's rule." The "white man's rule" . . . that's the reason for the arms for Bao Dai in Indo-China and the American bombs over liberated China. The Telegram couldn't have put it more clearly. Abroad, as at home, "democracy" to the imperialists of Wall Street and Washington, means . . . the "white man's rule."

Truman Hedges On Appointing Negro as Judge

President Truman was non-committal on Rep. Vito Marcantonio's proposal that a Negro attorney be appointed as federal district judge to fill one of four vacancies in the New York Southern District, it was learned yesterday.

There is not a single Negro judge serving in the district.

Truman's dodging of the issue became known through Marcantonio's release of a letter he received from the White House in response to his appeal for appointment of a Negro federal judge.

The Truman letter to Marcantonio said the President "will bear your interest in mind along with many factors which must be carefully weighed in making these appointments."

Commenting on the President's letter, Marcantonio said: "I am releasing a letter which I received from the White House. I trust that this time it may bring some results."

and Negro longshoremen from Chelsea, the East Side, Hoboken, etc.

They also pointed out that this elimination of a Negro gang is part of a scheme to break the only Negro local that has so far successfully fought Ryan and beaten him in two hard fought elections.

These longshoremen say that if the white longshoremen permit this local to be weakened, they will lose the one strong force that speaks up for all the longshoremen, for better wages, a decent pension plan, and for better conditions on the piers.

NEW YORK WORLD-TELEGRAM AND SUN.

The World Over

(From Dispatches of United Press and Associated Press)

Visitor Finds White Man Losing Out to Reds in Southeast Asia

MONDAY, MAY 22, 1950

The day of the white man is ending in Southeast Asia and the day of the Asiatic and the Communist is dawning. This was the major impression gained by Charles P. Gorry, Associated Press photographer who has just completed a tour of Burma, Thailand, Indo-China and Malaya, in which he talked with British planters, French officials, American tin mine operators, natives, and frustrated British and French airmen and soldiers. In Burma, Malaya and Indo-China he found not a cold but a hot war of Asiatics against white men, of bows and arrows and homemade mines against modern weapons. It is a war the white man is losing, and everywhere there's a strong feeling against the U.S., which is blamed for the present trouble—blamed for letting it start and for not doing something about it. Only the Communists have a "solution." They are promising "liberation" and the southeast Asians are listening. In all countries it was felt that it is very late.

Ryan Machine Bars Two Negro Dock Crews

King Joe Ryan's machine men last week blocked two Negro dock gangs from continuing work at Piers 36, 37 and 38 (Barber Line) in Brooklyn. The two gangs are the only Negro crews generally employed at these piers and are members of AFL International Longshoremen's Association Local 968, which has been bitterly opposed by the Ryan machine because of the local's forthright stand against jimcrow.

Together with them, four of the 19 white gangs were also pushed out. On Monday, May 15, some of the gangs blocked the shape-up and insisted that there was room for only 15 gangs on the three piers—10 loading gangs and five discharge gangs. No gangs went in, and finally a compromise agreement was reached between the AFL Longshoremen's Union delegates, the company, and a committee of the men.

It was agreed that four of Tony Mangiamelli's gangs would be used for discharge work, and the fifth to be Charlie Waldon's Negro gang from Local 968. On Fri-

day, May 19, Mangiamelli's gangs violated the agreement by refusing to allow Waldon's gang to work, insisting that all five gangs be Mangiamelli's. The delegates refused to back up their agreement.

Members of Local 968 bitterly denounced the doublecross, and said they would not give up the fight for their rightful place on the pier. Charlie Waldon's gang had been working on that pier more than ten years. Many men in the gang which replaced them have been on the pier hardly more than two years.

The proposal to cut down the number of gangs was regarded as a necessary step by most of the longshoremen on the Barber Line. They do not agree, however, with the methods used to carry it out.

Under the slogan of "neighborhood work for neighborhood boys," the younger longshoremen took it upon themselves to decide who should work and who should stay out. In doing so, they forced out men who have many years seniority on the Barber Line piers.

This action was not spontaneous. According to reliable sources, it was organized at the Veterans of Foreign Wars post on Van Brunt St. weeks in advance.

The ILA delegates made no move to prevent the taking over of the piers, and actively aided in the elimination of Charlie Waldon's gang.

Experienced longshoremen pointed out that the slogan, "Neighborhood work for neighborhood boys" would mean elimination of Italian

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GM Deal--Speedup Signal

AN EDITORIAL

THE GENERAL MOTORS—Reuther contract, sprung without warning in secret negotiations, is being given a tremendous buildup. The pro-Wall Street, pro-war press is selling it with huge headlines as something tremendous for the GM working men. Both Reuther and Philip Murray are pretending that the GM trust practically gave their auto plants away to the GM workers.

But the New York stock market knows better. Stocks rose happily in the news of the new contract. The stock market is being more truthful than the ballyhoo coming from Reuther, Murray and the GM chiefs. Here is why:

The proposed GM contract will hogtie every single worker in every single GM plant throughout the United States for five years against any strike action or work stoppage in protest against speedup or other work grievances!

Thus, the new five-year contract—the longest ever projected in any big industry in the history of American trade unionism—attempts to **OUT-LAW ANY RESISTANCE TO HIGHER WORK QUOTAS** or faster belt-line production. The new Reuther-GM contract opens every GM worker in the country to the peril of the fiercest speedup known in the industry.

THE BEAUTY OF THE PLAN for GM is that it will be the United Auto Workers officials themselves who will be the police to enforce this no-strike, no-stoppage serfdom from here to 1955. GM has been given the green light for the biggest sweating of labor since the days of the 12-hour day in the steel mills.

THIS IS A COLD WAR deal made by Reuther with the Wall Street-duPont tycoons who are rejoicing today that they can go ahead now with their huge "pork barrel" misnamed "defense" without any fear of labor's resistance to heavier work loads.

Reuther brags that this shows the world that our democracy really works. He brags that it will help the cold war. He is giving the show away. He shows that he is knowingly tying the GM workers to the chariot of the war machine. He thinks it is "democracy" if a handful of GM stockholders can coin huge profits out of hundreds of thousands of auto workers. He calls it democracy when he pulls a sneak play on the auto union which robs it of the only economic weapon it has—the right to strike for five years. The wage pattern is frozen for five years.

THE MUCH-HERALDED 4-CENTS-AN-HOUR INCREASE of which Reuther boasts so loudly fades away in the light of reality. The previous GM contract had awarded the men a 3-cents an hour annual increase; but this was tied to the notorious cost-of-living escalator clause under which the GM workers got two wage cuts.

To this previously gained 3 cents, Reuther now brings only 1 cent more in the new contract. And this 1-cent-an-hour increase is tied to the wage-cutting escalator clause which is now fastened even more firmly on the backs of GM labor for a full five years!

Reuther promised to drop this "escalator clause" by which GM's profits are protected through voluntary wage cuts. But the escalator clause has been clamped on the backs of the GM workers for five years. This will imperil even the one cent an hour increase which can be eaten away by statistical jugglery. Reuther promised the Negro workers job security through an industrial FEPC; he dropped that completely in the GM deal.

He offers pensions after 25 years in GM employment; but few workers indeed will be able to last out the terrific speedup to which Reuther has opened the floodgates.

THE GM BOSSES ARE OVERJOYED because they can now step up the productivity of every GM worker; they can extract far more out of each worker than the promised 4-cents-an-hour increase or the minor expenditures for welfare. The GM workers will give GM far more through speedup than GM gives them in penny increases. And the GM workers will be forbidden to fight back. The pension will be held as a club over their heads if they want to stop work. GM will say that stoppages cancel out the workers' right to a pension. Such is the sum and substance of the sneak play pulled on the GM workers by Reuther and the corporations.

It is obvious that what the GM workers need is a reconsideration of the entire deal. They ought to demand that Reuther reopen negotiations for a 1-year contract, with the right to strike, with no escalator swindles in it, with the right of every GM department to resist speedup through traditional labor action, and with a no-discrimination clause. If the GM departments lose this right, they will feel the lash as never before.

The new GM five-year contract is a dangerous precedent for the entire labor movement. It proves that the auto workers can no longer rely on top deals made in their name but against their welfare. These deals are not sacred; they cannot be relied on to protect the interests of the men in the plants. It is on their own united strength that the GM workers must depend from here on.

Press Bares Aim to Set Up Nazi Army

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, May 24.—Newspapers here today confirm the Daily Worker's charge this morning that the aim of the State Department's note to the Soviet Union yesterday was to set the stage for the creation of a new Nazi army in West Germany.

The International News Service said today that the U. S., Britain and France are reported planning a West German military force.

The Daily Worker this morning, citing persistent reports of a projected West German army, charged the U. S. note to Moscow protesting the alleged formation of a militarized police force in eastern Germany was in fact a preparation to justify U. S. moves to create a West German army.

The INS dispatch tends to confirm the truth of the Worker's charge. When the State Department was shown the dispatch, it denied it.

More confirmation was contained in an article by Jay G. Hayden, distributed by the North

American Newspaper Alliance. Hayden said the American note to Moscow was a "necessary and logical prelude to creating a counter German force in the almost three times as populous western zones."

Hayden added that if the USSR rejects the U. S. note, "this infraction could be made the basis for the renunciation by the western powers of all their postwar agreements with Russia."

The Washington Evening Star similarly revealed the real purpose of the U. S. note by remarking editorially that if the USSR refuses to dissolve its alleged military force in East Germany, "France, Britain and the U. S. will be justified in giving serious thought to the idea of organizing an adequate counterforce among the west Germans."

URGE ACTION NOW TO GET MUNDT BILL RECOMMITTED

WASHINGTON, May 24.—Each member of the Senate Judiciary Committee should receive every possible communication from his constituents within the next few days to support a motion to bring the Mundt bill back to the Committee Monday, the National Committee to Defeat the Mundt Bill declared today.

At the same time, its chairman, former Rep. Jerry J. O'Connell, said every senator should be urged to tell Senate Judiciary Committee members to take the Mundt bill off the Senate calendar. O'Connell warned "This may be the last real opportunity to get the bill off the Senate floor. So long as it is on the floor, the danger of a sneak attack to pass it will remain acute."

Members of the Judiciary Committee, in addition to Langer and O'Connor, are Sens. Pat McCarran (D-Nev), Garrett Withers (D-Ky), Harley Kilgore (D-WVa), James O'Eastland (D-Miss), Warren Magnuson (D-Wash), Frank Graham (D-NC), and Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn). Republican members are Alexander Wiley, Wisc., Homer Ferguson, Mich., Forrest Donnell, Mo., and William Jenner, Ind.

Fur, Leather Parley Okays Officer Report Unanimously

By George Morris

ATLANTIC CITY, May 24.—The convention of the International Fur and Leather Workers Union today unanimously approved the report of the union's executive board, after a discussion, ending at 1:15 this morning, in which more than 40 speakers took part.

The discussion ran through three sessions. The convention's committees are meeting today to draw up in final form resolutions based on the general line of the adopted report. They will deal with specific topics, and will come up for action tomorrow and Friday.

Unlike most union convention discussions, this one was a real thrashing out of issues. Several delegates who had previously expressed differences, now expressed their change of mind and told why they did so.

Almost all speakers called for immediate withdrawal from the CIO. Only one actually suggested that there might be a possibility of "compromising" and staying in.

The other question to highlight the discussion was whether the union should comply with Taft-Hartley affidavits. Most speakers opposed compliance. The approved report places the issue in the hands of the incoming executive board, with authority to take all necessary action to protect the union, including compliance if need be.

Ben Gold, president of the union, told a press conference last night that if the convention passes a resolution to withdraw, which is now highly in doubt, the union will not appear before the CIO's kangaroo trial scheduled June 8. Newsmen questioned Gold on

what his course would be if the union decided to comply. Gold is a member of the Communist Party. He said that on the basis of the action recommended by the board, he was not faced with choice of either resigning from the party or from the presidency until the problem confronts the union in practical form. That may not come up for some time.

During the discussion, most speakers who deal with compliance also stressed that they want no part of it if it meant losing Gold as president or other officers who

are Communists. Such expressions came especially from persons not identified with the left.

August Tomlinson, president of the Leather division, said, "if signing means we have to give up our president and some of other officers, then I am opposed."

Richard B. O'Keefe, board member of the New England district and head of its largest local, expressed similar opposition to compliance. He was also critical of Gold and other officers for having opposed his proposal to withdraw (Continued on Page 8)

Packinghouse Union Parley Faces Issues of Wages, Layoffs, Speedup

By Ruby Cooper

MINNEAPOLIS, May 24.—More than 500 delegates were assembling here today for the opening of the CIO United Packinghouse Workers convention tomorrow. The union represents some 200,000

workers, including all the Big Four's major plants. It is estimated that roughly one-third of the 500 delegates will be Negro workers who constitute a high proportion of the membership.

Biggest economic issues confronting the convention are the big drop in take-home wages for

over-all productivity in the industry have advanced over 4 percent.

Posing as one of the union's (Continued on Page 8)

packinghouse workers, mounting layoffs in the industry, and increasing speedup that is displacing workers.

The officers report, to be presented tomorrow, indicates that wage costs for the packers have dropped in the past year by 4.2 percent per pound of meat while

Dubinsky Bars Honor To Oldtimers by ILG

Special to the Daily Worker

ATLANTIC CITY, May 24.—The International Ladies Garment Workers' 50th jubilee convention today honored 11 charter members, but president Dubinsky informed

the convention that such of the oldtime fighters who had any connection with the leftwing were not invited.

Dubinsky revealed that candidates for the honors and receipt of solid gold convention badges were screened when he came to (Continued on Page 9)

DENNIS IN JAIL FOR 14TH DAY

Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party, has now served 14 days of his one-year term for refusing to bow to the political inquisition of the Un-American Committee. He can be written to at Federal House of Detention, 427 West St., New York City 14, N. Y.

Also, have you dropped a line to President Truman demanding that Dennis be given his unconditional release?

Point of Order By ALAN MAX

Motto of the FBI: An atom "spy" a day keeps peace away.

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Appears Every Thursday in the Daily Worker

Win Job Right For Negro Stewardess

SAN FRANCISCO, May 24.—Breaking down one of the last barriers of anti-Negro discrimination within its jurisdiction, the militant Marine Cooks and Stewards Union (CIO) of the Pacific Coast has won job rights for a Negro woman, Mrs. Lucella Lawhorn, as a stewardess aboard the Matson Navigation Company's luxury liner, the SS Lurline. It was the first time that Matson Line, or any other company, has hired a Negro woman in this capacity.

The fight began more than three weeks ago. When Mrs. Lawhorn was dispatched to the Lurline in Wilmington, Calif., under the union's rotary hiring hall system, Matson company flatly rejected her. They said she was "unqualified."

The union went into action, with the result that the May 3 sailing of the Lurline was held up for more than an hour until an understanding was reached that Mrs. Lawhorn would be placed aboard for the May 15 sailing if found "satisfactory." In the short interval between the Honolulu voyage of the Lurline, the union went to work and gathered a fat file or reference for Mrs. Lawhorn extending over 20 years of work in hotels and restaurants. Based on the adamant position of the union, the head office of the company flew Mrs. Lawhorn to San Francisco for interviews.

Arriving again in San Francisco, the MCS crew of the Lurline evidenced solid support for Mrs. Lawhorn. Support was also forthcoming from rank and file

MFOWW and SUP members aboardship. Matson officials then gave in a few minutes before the May 15 sailing, saying they had not fully aware of Mrs. Lawhorn's qualifications.

Curranites Help Fire 3 Negro Seamen

Three Negro seamen were arbitrarily removed from their jobs this week aboard the SS Talamanca, a United Fruit passenger ship, because they fought for union conditions. NMU Patrolmen Reeves and O'Connor, both Curran machine jobholders, did the dirty work for the company, on the flimsy pretext that two of them had accepted demotions aboard the same ship more than two years ago. Yet these Curran men including one who has changed his job from headwaiter to that of smoking-room steward, had signed slips approving the changes at the time. The third Negro brother was removed for the sole reason that a Curran supporter on the ship claimed he had been "threatened."

CURRAN'S LIE REFUTED

At the last NMU membership meeting in New York, Joseph Curran, NMU president, indulged in a typical bit of lying slander by telling the membership present that the West Coast longshoremen (ILWU) and the Marine Cooks had "crossed the picket line" of the

ARA CIO Radio Operators during the recent successful one-day stoppage to maintain the hiring hall.

This time, Curran's slander was nailed by none other than W. R. Steinberg, national ARA president. Steinberg issued signed thank you notes to all West Coast unions (with the exception of Lundberg's SUP whose members were ordered to cross the Radio-operators' picket lines). The notes read:

"At an emergency meeting of representatives of the ILWU, MFOW, MCS, MEBA and MM & P which pledged full support to ARA satisfactory understanding was arrived at and the shipowners told the meeting that they were now willing to negotiate in good faith with the union. Our sincerest thanks to all the members of all the maritime unions for their solid support on this beef."

Exeter Crew Votes Support to Bridges

The crew of the SS Exeter, an American Export Line ship that arrived in New York this week, voted to support Harry Bridges and send a protest against the Bridges frame-up to Attorney General Harold McGrath. The crew also donated \$142 to the Bridges Defense Committee and another \$90 to the NMU United Rank and

Jobless Center In San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, May 24.—The Joint Maritime Committee on Unemployment and Related Problems opened a center on the San Francisco waterfront this week.

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The Inquiring Reporter On the Brooklyn Docks

The Question

What can be done about the speedup on the docks?

The Answers

H.R.—That's a tough one because there's a lot to consider. If the hatch boss comes over you can tell him to go to hell. The company isn't over you with a whip. The men speed themselves up. If they would stick together, that wouldn't happen. They try to beat the hook. They rush to get the extra minute rest. They don't realize that in the end they get worn out faster.

A.S.—It's all a racket. If you holler too much the next day you're left out. The stevedore can tell you to do anything. The union has to back you up, but they don't.

R.B.—The stevedores are responsible. They get a bonus at the end of the year. All the men get a day's pay and a broken back.

D.A.—To us the winches go up and down. The bosses want you to rush, rush, rush. Instead of a ship being in three days they want you to do it in one day. They want you to make two drafts in one. In canned stuff, oil drums and steel the slingloads run over two ton.

W.J.B.—The men have to learn to resist that kind of speedup. It's being afraid of his job and not having an opportunity for getting work that makes the average man work harder to hold his job.

J.B.—I work shenango. They're always rushing you. The men have to stick together and fight the speedup.

JIM GORMAN—The men rush themselves. They get a bigger blow between drafts. There's less speedup now. There's nobody over you with a whip. The steward, Al Callem, is on the ball. He enforces the contract. He checks the drafts. He'll only let them pile it three high and allow about one ton to a draft.

J.N.—It's not so bad on the Bush. On Pier 6 they never have 5,100-pound loads.

J.P.—They need tonnage. The boss pays off on tonnage. That's why they speed us up. They ought to throw all the old stevedores out and put in young ones.

D.H.—The big slingload is the main form of speedup. A slingload is supposed to be one ton. It's always over a ton and a half or two ton. It's unsafe over two ton. The stevedore is responsible. He's the one who does the hiring.

L.T.—The only way to fix that speedup business is to become stronger than they.

C.W.—I don't think nothing can be done about it. At least, nobody's doing anything about it. This year they don't seem to be working them any faster. Once in a while they speed up for a couple of hours and then for the next few hours they make it normal.

F.R.—The union could do a lot. Only they don't want to do anything. There's a ship steward on each pier. He's the guy who's supposed to tell the stevedore just how much to load on the sling. Whatever cargo he is handling he should enforce the limit on the slingload.

The Facts

Speedup is a killer—the main killer on the waterfront. Longshore is a dangerous industry, more dangerous even than coal mining, according to government figures.

Do the men speed themselves up? Sometimes they do, but almost always the reasons are fear of losing their jobs, and company greed.

Are accidents caused by men's negligence? Take the three recent accidents on the Brooklyn piers. In one case the slingload was 5,100 lbs.—an invitation to death. The result—a man was killed, on the Commercial Wharf, foot of Summit St.

On Pier 17, the cable wasn't properly fastened. The pallet fell and killed the hatch boss. On Pier 32 the cable snapped and an oil drum hit a man on the head.

If a man takes time out to inspect the gear, the hatch boss is on his neck. Deckmen used to carry wrenches so they could tighten up a loose nut or a loose clamp. Few do that now because the company won't let them take time out. All



gear should be inspected carefully at 8 in the morning. But no, the company wants production the minute the man walk in.

A favorite company trick is pulled all over the waterfront. The stevedore goes from hatch to hatch telling each gang that the other gang is producing more tonnage, and that if they don't speed up they'll get another gang. The result—more accidents and more deaths.

Can anything be done to cut down on the speedup and save lives? Yes. Much can be done. On some piers like Pier 6 Bush and the Chelsea piers the speedup is not as bad as on most of the piers. That's because the men are organized, the dock steward does his job, and the men stick together to resist speedup. On other piers, like 15 and 16, 17 and 29th St., 33, 34 and 35, Atlantic Basin, and others, the speedup is terrific.

If it can be done on Pier 6 Bush or on the Chelsea Piers, why can't it be done elsewhere? If there can be an 1,800-lb. limit to a slingload in Boston, or a ton on the West Coast, why can't we have it in the Port of New York?

If a safety code is enforced on the West Coast, why can't we have one here? Only enforcement of the contract and a decent dock steward system will eliminate speedup and death. The contract calls for a reasonable slingload. A reasonable slingload is one ton. Send the draft back if it carries more than a ton. Don't work it. Your life is worth more than company profits.

Longshoremen who have worked on the West Coast as well as in the port of New York estimate that if the slingload were limited to a ton and the number of drafts per hour were limited, there would be at least 25 percent more work in the port.

Some longshoremen are beginning to realize that it is the capitalist system itself which is the basic cause of speedup. The bosses will always try to speed up workers as long as capitalism exists, and it is a constant struggle to keep the speedup from growing worse. Only under socialism, where human lives are considered more important than company profits—will speedup for profit be completely eliminated. Under socialism, the workers themselves will own the ships and the piers, and production will be for the needs of the people, not for profit.

A Letter

Editor, Daily Worker:

Dear Sir: The speed-up on the docks of Brooklyn is every day laying another man low. One of the dockers on Pier 32, Sottnek's, was cut up all around the eye and face, and almost lost his eye. He was loading petroleum drums from one of the tractors and the cable snapped and the drum hit on the head. This happened on May 16. The only answer is organization against the speedup.
E. T. AND M. H.

FOUR BILLIONS MORE VOTED FOR WAR

WASHINGTON, May 24.—In record time, the House Tuesday appropriated \$4,150,000,000 to tighten the U. S. hold on Europe, build open and secret military installations throughout the world, and construct atom-powered submarines and new invasion craft. More than three billion dollars

was to extend the Marshall Plan, plus President Truman's "Point Four" program, into every corner of the globe. Of this, \$100,000,000 was to go to prop up the government of South Korea, and \$94,000,000 to "China and the general area of China."

The construction of 112 new naval vessels, including one atom-powered submarine costing \$40,000,000, and the reconversion of 29 ships were authorized under a grant of \$350,000,000 pushed through by a voice vote. Another \$40,000,000 was to go to convert a Navy cruiser into a guided missile carrier.

Of Things to Come You Can't Live With Fascism

By John Pittman

TRADE UNIONISTS are beginning to realize that when the U. S. Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the Taft-Hartley anti-Communist oath, it gave the government and employers a weapon with which to knock out any union leadership fighting militantly for the demands of the workers. How this oath serves the billionaires will be seen more clearly in days to come. However, this Supreme Court ruling followed other decisions which upheld the discriminatory county unit voting system in Georgia, doomed to death the framed Negro, Willie McGee, and sent Eugene Dennis, General Secretary of the Communist Party, to prison. All together, these rulings show a trend toward hacking away the constitutional guarantees and legal defenses of the trade unions, the Negro people, and the one political party which offers the American people a program for ending forever the evils of war, insecurity, and domination of, by, and for the billionaire trusts. Also, it happens that these three sections of the population today occupy the first line of defense against the forces of war and fascism.

IT IS SIGNIFICANT, therefore, that the opinion of Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson in the Taft-Hartley case is being ballyhooed as the most impressive and effective argument supporting the ruling. Yet, on examining Jackson's opinion, one discovers that it rests on errors of fact.

"The goal of the Communist Party," says Jackson, "is to seize powers of government by and for a minority rather than to acquire power through the vote of a free electorate."

The error in this statement is this: all Communist governments or governments decisively influenced by Communists govern not "by and for a minority," but by and for the working people, which in every country is a majority of the population.

"The Communist Party alone among American parties past and present," says Jackson, "is dominated and controlled by a foreign government."

This statement is also false. It is the oldest canard in use by capitalist spokesmen, having been cited by Marx and Engels a century ago in the "Communist Manifesto." Repeated today by a Justice of the Supreme Court, it serves to brand as "un-American" and unpatriotic all attempts by Americans to change radically the evil social conditions generated and maintained by capitalism. However Jackson may attempt to gloss over this, it amounts to a nullification of the American people's right to revolution, established in 1776 and defended by Jefferson, Lincoln and other leaders of America in times of crisis.

For these bare assertions, moreover, Jackson offers the flimsiest of factual evidence or no evidence at all. It is possible to say of his opinion what Justice Stone in 1936 said about the decisions of the majority of the Supreme Court then, that they were based on "personal economic predilections." Or, to drop the long-robed jargon, that Jackson is prejudiced in favor of the rich.

THE MAJORITY OF THE SUPREME COURT, judging by the trend of their recent decisions, also come under Stone's characterization. Such a circumstance means that all three branches of the Federal Government have become instruments of the financial oligarchy. For not only are the House and Senate docile servants of the billionaires, but both the new structure of super-control agencies as well as the old-line federal agencies of the executive branch are not only dominated by the great corporations, but in most cases are directly administered by men of Wall Street.

By such means do the billionaires propose quietly to slip the straitjacket of fascism over the body of the American people.

The hour is already very late. But there's still time to remember and put into practice what Eugene Dennis said shortly before going to prison: "For some time now," said Dennis, "too many Americans have accommodated themselves to the police state measures which are supplanting our democratic institutions. But I assert that our people has not lost its genius for resisting tyranny and imposing its sovereign will. It has, on the contrary, developed its democratic know-how and learned to rally labor, the Negro people, and millions of men and women of diverse views for united action in the common defense."

VIRGIL

By Len Kleis



Letters from Readers

Refugees Of Floods

Brooklyn, N.Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Hearing about the suffering of people of flooded areas year after year, how they must leave their homes and belongings and become refugees, makes one very angry. Why don't our lawmakers in Washington do something about it.

If we have enough money to arm so many countries for war against the Soviet Union, I feel there should be a little money available for these people who year after year become refugees

in their own country through neglect by our government.

L. BENSON.

Cites Suffering Caused by Cold War

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Isn't it time the long suffering victims of the "cold war" got together.

There must be thousands of people who are tired of the high cost of living, the housing emergency, the war hysteria, the ever present "red scares."

Couldn't we organize into the "Veterans of the Cold War?"

SID HOWARD.

Press Roundup

THE TIMES hasn't a single editorial that matches the impact of a couple of sentences uttered by Sen. Tom Connally on the Senate floor and reported away down at the bottom of a news story. Said Connally, in reply to Missouri Sen. Donnell: "Allow me to say that Senator from Missouri has a regular FBI intellect. He probes and sees boogies in every bush." Interesting isn't? Here's a big wheel of the Truman administration, the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and thus an accessory to pushing the witchhunt both here and abroad. But when he searches for a popular expression of condemnation, what does he pick? "FBI intellect!"

THE MIRROR says it wasn't "Heil" Hilliard who fired the president of United Public Workers Local 1, it was the "people." That's because it's the "people" who employ Eleanor Coding, and not Hilliard or the "impersonal city of New York." We know the Mirror would love to develop the argument so that the next time an O'Dwyer cop murders a Negro citizen, the rag can explain, don't blame him, he's working for the "people."

THE HERALD TRIBUNE impudently demands that Mao Tse-tung "disavow any sympathy or future support for the Indian Communist Party." The Trib evidently figures that it's okay for a "democrat" to back a fascist but terribly sinister for a Communist to show sympathy

for a fellow Communist.

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM hails the CM-Reuther agreement as "great good news." The Telly also frets that "time's running short" in the move to best Marcantonio and George Gallup comes up with a survey to show that the American people want a "tighter" Atlantic war pact. Since a goodly number of Americans seem to be busy these days signing peace petitions and passing anti-H-bomb resolutions, we suspect Truman must be voting more than once in these Gallup polls.

THE POST's Robert S. Allen ponders the "strange disappearance of hundreds of million of dollars worth of captured Nazi and Japanese property and art treasures." He notes the "startling difference" between the claim of Gen. Lucius Clay to have turned over \$30,000,000 in gold, and that of the State Department which insists it only got \$1,250,000. And in Philadelphia, they've just arrested one Harry Gold as a "Soviet spy." Isn't that the perfect symbol of the witchhunt? A lot of noise surrounding the seizure of a living "Gold," so that the witchhunters can quietly pocket the other variety.

THE JOURNAL-AMERICAN, calling for a "real investigation" of the McCarthy charges, says that "Actually, there is not much mystery behind them. True, most of them were spelled out by Hitler in Mein Kampf.—R. F.

World of Labor

By
George
Morris

Has CIO Been Consistent? Asks Fur-Leather Union

ATLANTIC CITY

THE CONVENTION REPORT of the executive board of the International Fur and Leather Workers Union points out that under the "little Mundt" provision of the CIO's constitution, the CIO's leaders could have themselves been convicted on their past record for following the "Communist Party line." Several pages of the report were devoted to proving that.

The CIO constitution, as amended in Cleveland, bars unions following policies and activities "consistently directed toward the achievement of the program and the purposes of the Communist Party." The IFLWU report then listed a score of major trade union objectives, like fighting for wage raises, resisting the Taft-Hartley law, advocating a policy of peace along lines outlined by Roosevelt, struggling against discrimination, etc., which, until recently, the CIO and "every decent union affiliated with it followed." The board added:

"It is no secret that the Communist Party of the United States is also fighting for such policies. One can read in the Daily Worker numerous articles, columns and editorials to that effect. Thus it would be simple to show a parallel between the policies of the Communist Party and the policies of decent and honest trade union leaders whether or not such trade unionists are Communists or opposed to Communism."

"CERTAINLY," continued the report, the labor fakery cannot be accused of such 'crimes.' They do not fight for higher wages, for improvement in the working and living conditions of the workers, or for any of the policies enumerated above. . . . Certainly, such labor fakery cannot be accused of following policies and activities which are consistently directed toward the achievement of the program and the purposes of the Communist Party."

It would be "very simple" to show that, as long as the CIO followed policies "serving the interests of labor and the nation," it followed the Communist Party "consistently." But that was before so much of the CIO line became "consistent with the program and purposes of the NAM," said the report.

The report went even further and noted that the CIO's original program of industrial unionism, Negro-white unity, independent political action "was advanced by the Communist Party as far back as 1921-22," and "Communists in trade unions urged this program then and Communists in the trade unions are still fighting for it today."

To cap everything, the board dug up quotations from Murray and James B. Carey showering praise upon the Soviet trade unions as lavishly as the dirt they cast upon them today. They even formed a committee of cooperation with the Soviet trade unions.

IT WAS PRECISELY through the technique of showing "consistency" in the policies favored by the CIO with those of the Communists, that the NAM's propaganda machine painted even Murray and Hillman as "front men" for "reds."

Of course the CIO never was led by Communists or even friends of Communists, said the report. But it is precisely by use of the NAM's propaganda formula (today expanded to embrace the socialists) that the CIO now "tries" and expels unions like the IFLWU.

It is noteworthy that the report was signed by the 32-man executive board, which is a mixture of about every tendency you'll find in the trade unions—Communists, opponents of Communism, men with no fixed political views, devout Catholics, Jews, native and foreign-born and Negroes.

Philip Murray is apparently aware of his untenable position and in his recent speeches has only one line to meet it: he shouts that Communists are "working hand-in-hand with employers." He must think that workers are idiots to expect them to believe that. He only shows that he has nothing real to shoot back.

But the fact that a group of honest trade unionists could come together on the report noted above strikes me as eloquent testimony that Communist program and activities are fully "consistent" with the most constructive objectives of the working class. That's something Murray can't knock down.

COMING: A Man Named Dennis . . . A poem by Joseph Morris . . . In the Weekend Worker

State Dep't Smokescreen

IN REAL WARFARE IT IS necessary to use a smokescreen to cover a river crossing operation under fire. Our State Department seems to be well aware of that fact, too, because they have "one more river" to cross in the renazification and remilitarization of western Germany. That will be the open proclamation of a new German Wehrmacht.

To conceal this they protested to the Soviet Union against the alleged formation of an army in eastern Germany. Just study this sequence of events and the reasons for that note will be clear.

First, the recent London conference of the Atlantic war pact nations decided to integrate western Germany into the war council.

Second, at the very moment when the London conference was going on, the "Bruderschaft" of former Nazi officers was conferring with representatives of the West German Adenauer "government." Top Nazi generals like Guderian and Von Halder are the men behind the Bruderschaft, and they are given full license for their work by the western occupation authorities. Their "work" is to blueprint the new Wehrmacht.

Third, at the same time protests were rising in this country against the revival of Nazism in the western zones. Thus, the conservative Anti-Defamation League reports: "It is not an uncommon sight to see German nationalists, uniformed in jackboots and breeches, marching through streets and singing, Deutschland Ueber Alles."

Of course there's a police force in the German Democratic Republic just as there is one in western Germany. Here's the difference. While in western Germany the leaders of the "police force" are Nazis, in the German Democratic Republic the police are not a German army and the leaders are anti-Nazis. They are led by men like Wilhelm Zaisser who was "exposed" in the capitalist press as the General Gomez of Spanish loyalist fame. Who is this man? He is a German who fought in Spain in the Thaelmann Brigade against the Nazi invaders of Spain.

The blood of Americans who died fighting Nazism cries out in protest against the revival of Nazi militarism in Western Germany.

Cold War Extends Jimcrow

TO THE NEGRO PEOPLE, President Truman promises that the Army and Navy will banish jimcrow in the "reasonably near future."

This is a ridiculous, insincere promise.

It is on a par with Truman's promise to pass an FEPC law, a promise he keeps on breaking by carefully refraining from lining up his party's votes for it.

It is an insincere promise for an even more fundamental reason. The cold war.

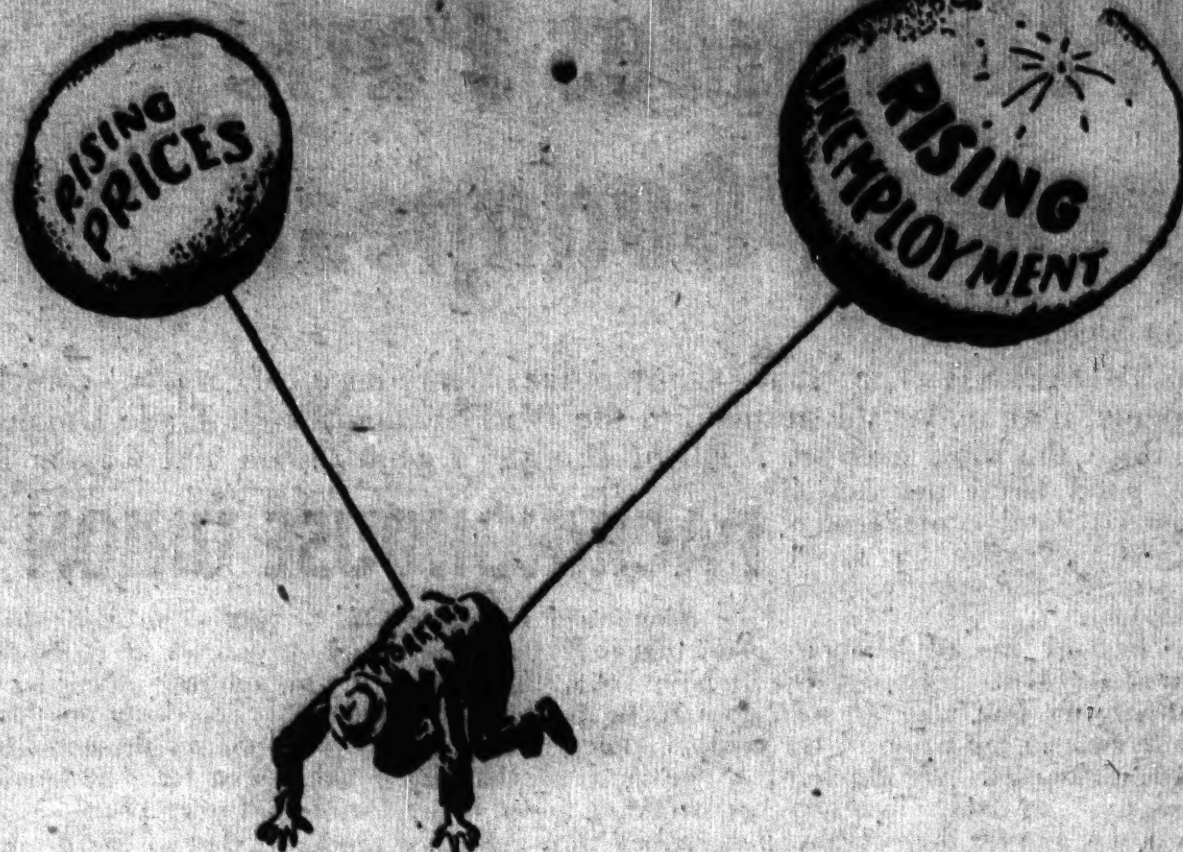
The armed forces today are being swelled to record-breaking proportion IN ORDER TO IMPOSE JIMCROW ON THE REST OF THE WORLD. Our armed forces are being groomed to CRUSH THE COLORED PEOPLES STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

TRUMAN IS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF of the armed forces. He could outlaw jimcrow tomorrow IF HE WANTED TO. It is 22 months since he "ordered" jimcrow out of the armed forces. But the Army, Navy and Marines understood the clever politics involved. They have simply refused to obey! Nothing has happened to them! And nothing will. They understand that all that is expected of them is a few token gestures in window-dressing.

In the Navy, 57 percent of the Negro personnel are in the mess hall cooking or serving. Only five percent of Navy personnel are Negroes. All Negro Marines are in jimcrow, segregated outfits. Five percent of the Air Force personnel are Negroes. More than half of these are in segregated outfits. The Army is fully jimcrow, from top to bottom. Truman could change that overnight. But he won't. He is merely making a play for votes in November.

Jimcrow will be wiped out of our national life only by determined struggle of the entire working class in alliance with the entire Negro people. This means it will be wiped out in struggle for peace and independence against AIA imperialism, whether they be in Africa, Indonesia, Malaya, or here at home.

By Fred Ellis



CP National Committee Meets on Peace Fight

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

ALL MEMBERS ATTENDING the meeting of the National Committee of the Communist Party, U.S.A., held last Monday and Tuesday, were keenly aware that this was not just another meeting. Added to the prolonged absence from our deliberations

of our Chairman, William Z. Foster, because of his serious illness, is the present loss of the invaluable active participation of Eugene Dennis, General Secretary of the Communist Party, due to his imprisonment for "contempt" of the Un-American Committee.

This was our first official meeting without Gene, which added further to our determination to secure his speedy release as well as to be worthy, in his absence, of his judgement expressed at the farewell meeting in New York when he said "The Party is in good hands!" Also absent were Jack Stachel, because of his serious illness, and Irving Potash, excused for important union business.

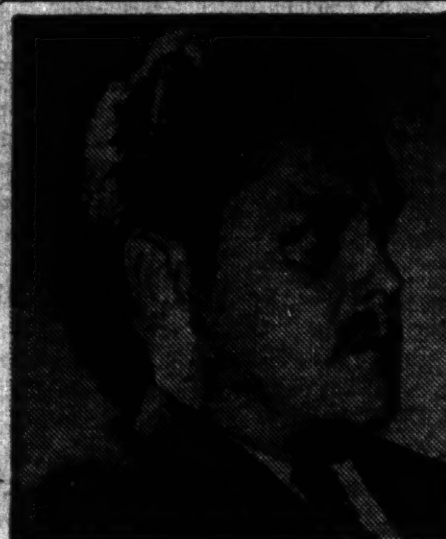
Around the long table in our Board room, gathered the Secretariat of three, Gus Hall, now National Secretary, Henry Winston, Organizational Secretary, and John Williamson, Labor Secretary; also the other six National Committee members, Gil Green, Carl Winter, John Gates, Ben Davis, Bob Thompson and myself, and numerous comrades invited to participate in discussion of particular reports.

This meeting was a check-up on the important plans made at our recent Plenum, to develop them further in order to meet the needs of our historical tasks in this critical hour of world events.

The main report was made by Gus Hall, as National Secretary, on the struggle for peace. He stressed that unity of purpose and sustained planned action, are imperative as never before, at the helm of the Communist Party in the greatest imperialist country in the world today, from which the danger of war threatens all peoples. Our duties are tremendous—to our country, our people and the workers of the world.

The National Committee unanimously accepted Gus Hall's recommendations that we must raise our sights in this country as never before, we must plan our objectives on a scale not yet dreamed of, to help guarantee an organized mass movement against fascism here and to stop war in the world.

Subreports to the main report, developing this theme in relation to important fields of activity were: 1) the 1950 elections, by Fred Wins, Chairman of the Public Aff-



GUS HALL

for the release of Eugene Dennis and defense of the eleven leaders of the Communist Party; and 3) The Worker and the Daily Worker by Phil Bart, Business Manager of the papers, to make our press infinitely more effective in the campaign for peace and for the rights of the people.

Gus Hall's report stressed the urgency of a new speed and tempo of the peace drive pointing out there is not all the time in the world, and that while there is a fair Department; 2) the campaign growing peace sentiment in the country, a crusading spirit among all peace forces and first of all in our Party has to be created.

The war camp is speeding up, in a mood of desperation, Hall declared. As of today, the peace feeling, strong as it is, is not organized strong enough to stop war. It must be organized on all levels but particularly among workers.

It is of great concern to workers in other lands that there have been no peace actions by workers in the U. S. A., Hall continued. Shipment of arms proceeds here without a ripple of protest; the warmongering tour of Truman met with only a few minor demonstrative protests.

It is necessary to connect the peace struggle with the effects of the war drive, but we must guard against posing one against the other. Many danger signals show a growing martial atmosphere; the attacks on our Party, the recent rulings of the Supreme Court to pave the way for an unpopular war, by gagging the trade union movement; suppressing the rising militancy of the Negro people; scuttling the 1st Amendment; and

anticipating the Mundt bill and the Foley Square decision. Arms to Europe are now stepped up by shipments directly to Asia.

A wartime unity government far more menacing than the old bipartisan coalition is formed. Herbert Hoover proposes scrapping the United Nations. The Baltic incident was extreme provocation. The rushing of Eugene Dennis to jail, the leader of our Party and the outstanding individual in the fight against war—all this adds up to a speeded up time-table, Comrade Hall emphasized.

The Red Cross position against the A- and H-bombs; the church forces, the women's protests are good and bring strong pressure on the government, Hall pointed out. But the dangerous lag is among the working class, where a grass roots movement is imperative. Shop and neighborhood peace committees to push the labor peace petitions is the A no. 1 job.

A peace movement without a working class base will lack boldness and stability, he stressed. Any effective peace movement here, must include: 1) Workers; 2) the Negro people; 3) masses of women, youth, farmers; and also intellectuals, professionals, etc. The emphasis for the Communists in working for peace must be a rank and file movement of working people, but it is the duty of Communists to help all peace efforts.

There was a prolonged collective discussion in which all members of the National Committee gave their thinking and suggestions.

Joe Brandt, who is now in charge of the defense campaign of the Party, then reported that the Non-Partisan Committee for the Defense of the 12 Communist leaders and the Civil Rights Congress are planning activities to assure a campaign for the abolition of the Un-American Committee, and the freedom of all its victims; a special campaign on the 14th Amendment, as presented in the case of Eugene Dennis, for the rights of the Negro people; and adequate presentation and publicity for the pending appeals of the Foley Square frameup victims and their lawyers; the fight for the freedom of Dennis and all the Foley Square victims. (Continued on Page 8)

WFTU Trades Parley Opens in Budapest

By Ann Silver

BUDAPEST.—The first Consultative Conference of trades conferences union has opened here under the auspices of the World Federation of Trade Unions. At the Park Club, once the most exclusive club of Hungary's gentry, men and women from all parts of the world heard the call of Giuseppe Di Vittorio, president of the World Federation for a concerted struggle for security, peace and freedom.

The feelings of all Hungary were perhaps best expressed by the 10-year-old boy who greeted the conference in the name of the Hungarian Pioneers. "We children of Hungary," he said, "live happily in peace, and for that we have to thank the workers who are fighting for peace under the leadership of the Communist Party."

The 12 trade union internationalists of the WFTU represented at the conference are: Seamen and dockers, miners, transport, metal and machine, chemicals, education, textile and clothing, leather, building and woodworkers, telecommunications, food and agriculture and forestry.

In his opening address, Di Vittorio stressed that unity of the working class still remained the main task for the trade union movement, and that it was this unity which the American imperialists sought to destroy.

American monopolies, he added, are attempting to curtail or stop production in certain branches of industry in particular countries where these industries tend to compete against American monopolies.

He also pointed out that production was being shifted to countries where labor was cheap. He emphasized, therefore, that international working-class unity was vital and that international coordination of working-class activity was no longer a question of mere declarations of solidarity.

Of special importance, Di Vittorio pointed out, was the fight for peace. He urged the setting up of peace committees in all factories and action against production for war and transport of arms.

DOCKERS' STRUGGLE

At the afternoon session, a president, secretary of the Seamen and Dockers Trade Union International, said the seamen and dockers were meeting with bitter resistance from the shipowners in their heroic struggle for peace and better economic conditions. They were also being opposed, he said, by the International Transport Workers Federation, which is in the service of the shipowners.

However, President declared the dockers of France, Belgium, Holland and other countries were fighting heroically against the preparations for a new world war, and were refusing to unload war supplies arriving from the United States.

Boleslaw Gebert, secretary of the WFTU in charge of the Trade Department, presented a report on the activities and tasks of the Trade Union Internationalists.

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Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney, said to be heir to \$200,000,000.

Speakers included Dorothy Thompson, Christopher Emmet, a Common Cause leader; Mrs. Nathalie Wales Paine, another Common Cause person, and Dr. George N. Shuster, U. S. Commissioner for Bavaria.

Emmet singled out for praise David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies Garment Workers union, and Luigi Antonini, another ILG official, for their cooperation. Paul Hall, local official of the International Shipyard Union, was thanked for having brought along his gun.

PACKINGHOUSE UNION ISSUES

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main demands a 30-hour week at 40 hours pay, the economic program to be presented to the convention points out:

"The facts are that fewer workers, working fewer hours, earning less money turn out more product at less cost."

It shows that few workers obtain the guaranteed work week of 36 hours because "layoffs are so severe and so frequent that large numbers are not able to average out even the merger 36 hours on an annual basis."

It adds that take-home pay for male workers "in many cases" is less than \$40 a week and that "take-home pay for women is much less."

Another big issue is the refusal of Wilson & Co., to negotiate a contract or recognize the union since the nationwide packing strike over two years ago.

Wilson's union-busting stand is generally considered to be a "guinea-pig" test that is being solidly backed by all the other big packers.

RATH FOLLOWS PATTERN

This anti-union pattern has been picked up in recent months by the Rath Packing Co. Thus the fight to win a contract at Wilson's looms up as the key to preserving the union and extending its gains.

It is anticipated that demands for stronger and more militant action against Wilson's union-busting drive will be made on the convention floor.

Delegates from Wilson locals in informal conversations here have indicated that their membership is ready to engage in an all-out struggle against Wilson's provided they are assured financial support from the national CIO to avoid a repetition of 1948 when the packinghouse workers had to end their strike for lack of support from the CIO.

Murray is scheduled to address the convention on Friday. Other top CIO officials who will also speak are CIO Vice-president Allan Haywood and CIO-PAC director Jack Kroll.

This galaxy is expected to try to stampede the convention into go-

ing all-out behind the national CIO policies of red-baiting, raiding and splitting unions by purges.

To drum up this kind of atmosphere rightwing CIO leaders in this area have designated Friday "Phil Murray Day."

It was reliably learned that CIO officials have recruited their supporters, paying them day's wages and expenses, to jam the galleries of the Packinghouse union's conventions.

SEEK WITCHHUNT

Rightwingers in the union are seeking to ram through an anti-Communist amendment to the union's constitution, which would prohibit "communists" from holding office.

The witchhunt fight is being led by Swift local 167 of St. Paul, which is itself under charges in the international executive board for disruptive and splitting activities in the union.

It was learned that the board had voted 8 to 4 last night to recommend to the convention that the local 167 delegation not be seated tomorrow morning.

Indications are that the top leadership of the union will oppose any such anti-Communist amendment to prevent splitting the union and also on the grounds that present legislative machinery of the union is adequate to handle opponents of national CIO policy.

Although the union's leadership professes to abhor red-baiting and union splitting, it has been steadily retreating under pressure of the national CIO, including acceptance of a CIO demand to engage in a raiding campaign against the Food & Tobacco Union.

While at this writing the opposition to the anti-Communist amendment appears overwhelming, it is known that a "compromise" is being contemplated in the form of an anti-Communist resolution, rather an amendment, which in effect could also virtually be used to engage in splitting activities and purges.

Progressive forces at the convention, however, have made clear that they will oppose any such "compromise" as well as an actual amendment.

FUR UNION BOARD TO DECIDE ON T-H

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years ago. Himself a conservative politically, O'Keefe traced the degeneration of the CIO on major policy issues for years back.

Similar criticism came from New England regional director Meyer Klig, who similarly recalled his demands for earlier withdrawal.

Gold, in his speech, stressed the union's policy of clinging to every possibility of preserving unity in the CIO and avoiding withdrawal. He also noted that the open strike-breaking role of the CIO's leaders in Cloverville, and the open call for a united front with fascism against Communists that was voiced by James Carey,ispel such illusions as may still exist among IFLWU's members on the possibility of staying in.

NEGRO DELEGATES

Particularly noteworthy was the participation of Negro delegates in the discussion. Most of them stressed the progress the union has already made in integrating Negro members and leaders in the union's life. Delegate Bob Logan, of Philadelphia, noted that not a single Negro signed a scab card in the Cloverville strike.

Sterling Rochester, of Philadelphia, said the union is doing a

job against white supremacy and "that's why we don't have to send instruction to our locals that washrooms and other facilities in union halls do not have to be segregated, as the CIO sent last week."

Lyndon Henry, veteran Negro leader of the union, said one of the reasons for the CIO's expulsion policy is the position of the ousted unions on the rights of the Negro people.

Among the speakers who said they reversed their position were John Churka, of Chicago, who stated he had thought "there was a chance" to stay in; and William Nelson who said the Cloverville story convinced him. The latter hoped for compliance, however "as equipment" for counter-raiding.

Abe Fineglass, midwest director, asked the delegates to picture themselves as representatives in the recent steel union convention, where the rank and file had a total of one hour for discussion, with the rest of the time dominated by Murray's speeches at addresses of some 800 "workshop" resolutions to the board and wage

CP Meeting

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tims must be carried to millions of Americans.

The detailed report on Party material available; plans for meetings, literature, letters, resolutions, etc., will be communicated to every major district directly by Comrade Brandt in the next few days. There can be no legal illusions left, after recent decisions. A mass movement alone will guarantee freedom of the political prisoners of 1950.

Fred Fine will present his report in fuller detail in an article to be published shortly, so I will not elaborate here. Suffice it to say, it presented an examination of primary elections held thus far in various states, which demonstrate a reactionary coalition more ominous than ever, creeping fascism, treachery of misleaders of labor, tied to the Truman chariot, all of which emphasizes the need of independent peace candidates and the building of the peace camp in a new way.

A sub-committee of the National Committee was set up to plan a campaign in support of the proposals made by the Daily Worker for a radical and dramatic change in the paper and an expansion of its circulation, that we are confident will electrify our Party. Watch for the formal announcements later, which we know will be greeted with great enthusiasm and tremendous co-operation by our entire Party membership, other readers of the papers, and will bring thousands of new fighters for peace as readers of our paper.

In the entire discussion, on all matters, the heart and core was the theme presented by Gus Hall—the urgency of a streamlined schedule for the building of a mighty peace movement in the U. S. A.

FBI 'Spy'

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munist," adding that "I myself hate Communism."

The government's warrant accused Gold of "conspiring" with "John Doe" to obtain atomic data from Fuchs when the latter was here during the last war, in 1944 and 1945 under the Wartime Espionage Act. Gold is subject to the death penalty if convicted.

Both Republican and Democratic members of Congress happily turned from their embarrassment of their joint sellout of FEPC to hail the new spy fake and to urge its extension. Rep. James Van Zandt (R-Pa.), a member of the Joint Congressional Atomic Energy Committee, boasted that Gold's arrest was "probably the first of a series."

and the responsibility of the Communists in the first place to devote all their energies to this historic task. The spirit of firmness and determination, expressed by National Secretary Hall, was reflected equally in the contributions made by all present. If Eugene Dennis could have listened in, I am sure he would have reiterated with pride and confidence "The Party is in good hands!"

Further unfolding of all plans, to be shortly announced, will meet with the same judgement by our entire Party, I am equally confident.

FEPC Vigil

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respectively, of the Marine Cooks and Stewards Union.

C. B. Baldwin, national secretary of the "Progressive Party, was among the marchers.

From the Midwest came former Congressman Jerry J. O'Connell, of Montana, who is chairman of the National Committee to Defeat the Mundt Bill.

Progressive Party Southern director Louis Burnham, and John McMonus, a member of the party's executive board, carried placards in the vigil.

Mrs. Therese L. Robinson, grand directress of civil liberties of the National Negro Elks, marched in the line along with Bishop H. T. Medford, of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.

Participating on the vigil were members of Washington trade unions, the Progressive Party and Civil Rights Congress. Other organizations are expected to join the vigil as it continues, George B. Murphy Jr., assistant to the national secretary of the Progressive Party, said.

Marcantonio said the vigil will continue until Congress either adopts FEPC or adjourns. He said he will do everything in his power as a Congressman to prevent adjournment until FEPC is enacted.

The White House vigil is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, excluding Saturdays and Sundays.

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MEN WITHOUT FACES, by Louis Budenz. Harper, New York. \$3.50.

By Robert Friedman

THE TITLE of Louis Budenz's new book, *Men Without Faces*, is, of course, a lie. It is based, he explains, on the fact that, on orders from Moscow, "men like Alexander Bittelman, Jack Stachel, John Williamson, Eugene Dennis" and a few other Communist leaders "were not to have their pictures shown" in the *Daily Worker*. It would take a column to list the dates when those pictures appeared.

The first sentence in Louis Budenz's book is, of course, a lie. He says: "I managed the *Daily Worker* from a guarded, locked, soundproof room. The room was and is a cubicle with a wafer-thin wall, through which you can hear anything above a whisper, outside. Locked and guarded?" It should only be as easy to find an honest word from Budenz as it is to "penetrate" that alleged *Daily Worker* fortress.

After that first sentence, the only honesty in *Men Without Faces* is the fact that the pages were numbered accurately. No cheating there.

This wretched parody of a human being, who was so contemptuously denounced by his fellow-religionist, Sen. Dennis Chavez (a red-baiter himself), says nothing in *Men Without Faces* which Hitler and Hearst have not said before him.

It is easy to think of the notorious Russian priest, Rasputin,

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when one has the unpalatable duty of saying the name, Budenz. Rasputin, too, invoked the name of God for his reactionary activities in Czarist Russia's twilight hours, activities which were also of considerable profit to him.

BUDENZ, whose sordid relationship with a 16-year-old stepdaughter at a time preceding his entry in the Communist Party, was aired on the Senate floor by Chavez, also invokes the name of the Almighty. But it is the Almighty Dollar which this shameless stool-pigeon is after... with his latest, dreary rehash of old slanders, with his "lectures," with his sycamore as "professor" at Fordham University, and with his round of personal appearances as government finger-man at trials and deportation hearings.

As a matter of fact, the megalomaniac Budenz fancies himself somewhat of a Rasputin. He boasts that: "My previous book, *This Is My Story*, served as the base for the trial of the 11 Communist leaders. . . . It is the only work on communism in America to have been subjected to drastic cross-examination in five successive court cases and to have stood up successfully under such fire."

This is the sheerest self-flattery. It is true that Budenz has been useful to the planners for fascism

and war. But Hitler's Mein Kampf beat him to the stab-in-the-back, and there are a dozen American poison peddlers prepared to shrill that, compared to them, Budenz is nothing but an Adolf-come-lately.

AS A RENEGADE from communism, Budenz is somewhat more careful about revealing his true feelings about fascism than would be, let us say, his spiritual brother, James Farley, who practically drools Coca-Cola when he hears the name Franco.

Nevertheless, Budenz gives the game away. Dealing with the Spanish war, he speaks only of the alleged "ruthlessness" of American members of the Loyalist Lincoln Brigade in "stamping out nests of Trotskyites." The implication in Budenz's account is clear. He labels the democrats of Spain as murderers, and, without having to spell it out, approves of Franco fascism. Oh, so carefully, he talks of the "Civil War" in Spain, without ever mentioning the Hitler-Mussolini organization of Franco's insurrection against the Spanish Republic.

There is nothing that this degraded creature does not stoop to. He even idiotically assures the reader that American Communists didn't have children until "Moscow's decision to go to the masses." Since the comrades were supposed to look and act like other Americans, they were to have families

as other people did, too.

That is a measure of the man, if we may be forgiven the misuse of the label. Americans of every political view were deprived by the capitalist depression of the right to have a family. Communists, like other American workers, were no exception. It was the break in the crisis, brought about by the war boom, which changed this situation.

ONE MIGHT assume that such a purified candidate for sainthood as Budenz would attribute babies to divine Providence. But, no. Characteristically, the wretched informer whispers: It's a Communist plot. One marvels at the self-discipline which kept him from listing the names of all American babies wrapped in pink blankets.

BUDENZ CAN "remember" verbatim, conversations of anywhere up to 15 years ago, in which Communists conveniently confided in him that they were "Soviet spies" and the like—he even "remembers" conversations carried on by others in his absence, but he doesn't remember the depression.

So eager is Budenz to attack the Communists, that he commits the heresy of deviating from the fascist line, which has it that the "Communists" engineered America's entry into the last war, and pressed for our victory because it helped Russia. But Budenz has it that "the comrades were jubilant"

when the news ticker at the *Daily Worker* "told of the big Nazi offensive in Luxembourg that was driving back the Yankee troops."

This was supposedly uttered by men whose brothers were fighting in the U. S. Army, by men who had fought fascism in Spain, by men whose party was filled with thousands of combat veterans of the U. S. Army.

It is, of course, an invention, obscene drivel which could only emanate from a Budenz.

Ending with a veiled plea for a third world war, and a more open bid for a further fascist attack on civil rights in the name of "exposing" communism, Budenz's book deviates not one whit from the dishonesty of its title and opening line.

In between, there is mild melodrama about the Communist Party, the Soviet Union, socialism and the trade union movement which merits point-by-point refutation just about as much as did the Protocols of Zion or Mein Kampf.

The FBI and the Vatican can have Budenz. The American people, in spite of everything, will take peace and progress.

ONE FINAL WORD. When Budenz went to work for the government as its fingerman, lying against the 11 Communist leaders at Foley Square and in other court proceedings, many "liberals" remained silent. But now that the emboldened informer has turned on his sponsor and smears adherents of the Truman Administration itself, one hears outraged howls and denunciations of Budenz. The Budenz story should teach such liberals that there is no compromise with witchhunts and stool-pigeons, no limit to the drive pledged to "get Communists only."

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READERS HAVE THEIR SAY

Dear Dave: It seems to us that *The Red Danube* is a film of great significance; for seldom, if ever, has so much talent, skill, effort and entertainment value been poured into the filming of such a conscious and great lie; such a conscious and monstrous distortion of history. This is no longer trash on the crude level of the Iron Curtain and I Married A Communist, which strained the credibility of their audiences. The red-baiters and enemies of the people have learned their lesson well; they have raised their presentation of falsehood and perversion to a higher level; to a level that is credible to vast numbers of average American citizens; to a level that is capable of playing on the sympathies of the American people and of affecting their thinking. The same average urban audience that we sat in that laughed and howled at the obvious crudity and phoniness of *The Iron Curtain*, clapped, applauded, cheered, and was stirred by the more insidious, less apparently phony *The Red Danube*.

In playing on the sympathies of the American people, by cleverly linking characters portrayed as humane, self-sacrificing, noble, merciful and intent on doing good for all humanity with the Church weaving around it a fairly creditable love story, all of which is placed in danger by the un-Christian, inhuman, calloused Bolsheviks, *The Red Danube* struck a responsive chord. And so well has the enemy learned to make political falsehood palatable, that they no longer inveigh against the Soviet people. In plain English the audience is told that the masses of Russian people, are at heart friendly, warm and human, but are themselves enslaved to Communist masters they themselves deeply and irrevocably despise and hope to get rid of—and are anxiously awaiting the day of deliverance with of course, the armed help of the freedom loving western democracies. We left the *Red Danube* with the feeling that Peekskill and the Peoria Street pogrom in Chicago, in which one of us was involved, was no more than the logical consequence of just such a movie. Much more exposure of such films is needed. Mike Hecht, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dave: I would like to call your attention to an anti-Soviet film being shown in the local theatres called *The Flying Saucers*. The plot of the story is that Russian spies are trying to steal the American plans for the Flying Saucer and they stop at nothing to get it.—Shirley Mendelowitz, Brooklyn.

Dear Dave: Do you get the British magazine *Sight and Sound*? The April issue contains a number of interesting items, among them an absorbing interview with de Sica in which he replies to critics who have called *Bicycle Thief* defeatist and hopeless. Incidentally, this issue was brought to me by an old friend who works for the Film Division of the British Information Service, and she tells me that both in England and France the controversy over whether de Sica's masterpiece (and who can deny that it is indeed that, regardless of one's reservations?) is defeatist or revolutionary is still raging in left-wing intellectual and cultural circles. The same issue of *Sight and Sound* also reports in two separate places—in an article by Francis Koval and one by Harcourt-Smith that "we could see even people like Roberto Rossellini collaborating on a propaganda film like *Luciano Serra-Pileta*, a bumpkins glorification of the Abyssinian war." And also: "It would also be interesting to examine the picture which Rossellini, in collaboration with Vittorio Mussolini, worked on some 13 years ago, glorifying the Italian campaign in Abyssinia." This is the first time I hear that Rossellini had made such a film. Had you ever heard or read about it? It would be interesting to check on that, don't you think? Incidentally, in Harcourt-Smith's piece called *The Stature of Rossellini*, he bemoans the artificiality and hollowness of British films as compared with the postwar Italian product and concludes: "Their films and those of Lattuada utter, in a voice unheard elsewhere, the cry of a defeated, despairing humanity. Above all, they put us to shame." I tell you Dave, they just adore a "defeated, despairing humanity," and who can deny that they find much of that feeling in the post war Italian films?—S. B., Manhattan.

Dear Dave: Seems to me your review of *The Outlaw* was a little lopsided. You characterized the picture as chauvinistic, sexy and sadistic. Granted it was all of that. However almost all our cowboy pictures are chauvinistic in their treatment of Mexicans and Indians, and of course they are also a part of Hollywood's wave of brutality. It seemed to me that *The Outlaw*, once you forget Jane Russell and the terrific publicity that was built around this picture, has a certain realism and honesty about it that few westerns have. For example, Billy the Kid is shown as he probably was—a snotty, skinny, kid, stupid and simple. The others, Walter Huston and Tom Mitchell, show a callous indifference to normal human values—and probably that was the case in the old days, when the "gunmen" were nothing but adventurous con men.

Since Westerns play a major role in our Hollywood culture—and on TV—I found the *Outlaw* almost a satire on the average western. For me, it was a relief NOT to see the hero a tall, handsome, musclebound jerk, constantly dressed in neatly pressed buckskins that cost more than the old time cowboy made in a life time. In fact, here for once, I saw a hero I did not like or admire—even for his good looks, and that's something unusual for Hollywood. Washington Hts. Cowboy.

Dear Dave: Some comradely criticism re the 'Headline' for your column. That 1 1/2 inch two column spread reads 'Hollywood,' but does it really say anything? Feel that stars and spotlights and stuff glorifies Hollywood in line with bourgeois ideology. Feel that we should use space to expose industry—in words by you—and graphically by some artists. Perhaps a satirical note to show the decay in Hollywood. Any of the old Wilson (Chips) cuts or Bloom spots that have appeared in the paper in the past might fit—or suggest that you get one of Graphic Workshop artists assigned to try something new for your column. Anxious to know your reactions and possibly other readers' thoughts too.

—Jane Breslaw, Brooklyn

On Stage:

Fraternal Arts Theatre:
An Enjoyable Evening in B'klyn

By Bernard Rubin

THE FRATERNAL ARTS Theatre is a youthful Brooklyn people's theatre group with a lot of talent, whose current program of one act plays can provide Brooklynites with a definitely enjoyable evening.

They have vim, vigor and ingenuity; and they exercise the latter to good purpose as they switch skimpy scenery to create the Army atomic bomb strategic headquarters of the Adler-Belloc play *Open Secret*, to the Russian living room of Chekhov's *The Proposal* and to the union headquarters where Albert Maltz's *Rehearsal* is staged.

Particularly impressive was the very effective job done on the Chekhov one act comedy; with the laughs nicely culled and nifty comedic jobs turned in by Paul Berman, Bernard Manners and Dorothy Shaw. Miss Shaw, it is my guess, has all the potentialities of becoming one of the people's theatre movement's leading actresses.

PETER STONE gets the deserved credit for the settings, in addition to his strenuous acting assignments; and Sol Hervath and Bernard Manners are the com-

petent directors.

Both *Open Secret* and *Rehearsal* have been staged previously here in Manhattan so I won't go into detail about them except to mention that the Fraternal Arts Theatre people have acted on some of the objections raised in connection with the exciting *Open Secret* when last seen.

Perhaps a few additional recommendations will not be thought amiss by this very promising group: More efforts to stage new

scripts, and ABOVE ALL, the most strenuous efforts to integrate more Negro artists into leading positions in the organization and its productions.

THE LIAR
AT THE BROADHURST

THE LIAR is a too-obviously contrived musical comedy vaguely based on one of Carlo Goldoni's old comedies. It is also too obviously an attempt to cash in on the financial success of *Kiss Me, Kate*—even to the extent of utilizing the same colored and designed costumes and the same mannerisms of the leading man of that show, Alfred Drake.

Drake, as a matter of fact, directed this show, in addition to collaborating on the book, and made the mistake of trying to mold William Eythe in his own *Kiss Me, Kate* image. So Eythe, minus Drake's voice, goes through all of the latter's familiar musical comedy gestures, discarding his own style, with the result that his performance is an energetic but a hollow, imitative shell. Joshua Shelley is wasted here, as is clever Paula Laurence, whose display of bosom, although generous, is still not enough to make up for a creaking show.—B. R.

Around the Dial:

Gabriel Heatter Turns
Soap Opera Philosopher

By Bob Lauter

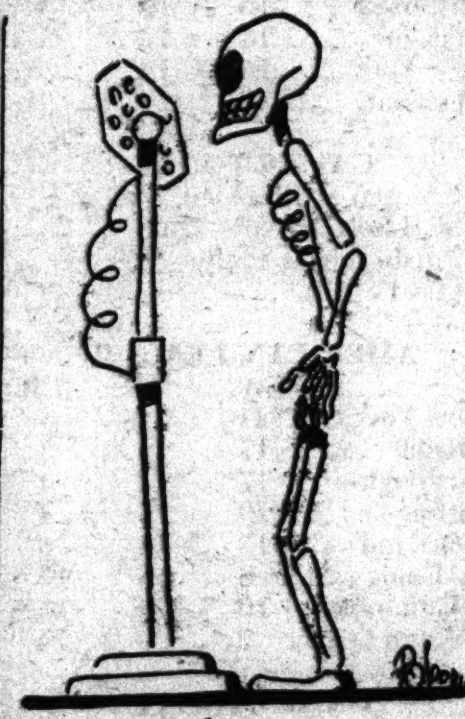
EVERY WEEK-DAY at 1:45 p.m., Gabriel Heatter appears on WOR to open his mailbag and talk to Mary. Mary's role on this program is to mention some random fact to Gabriel, and allow him to draw therefrom philosophic conclusions that would bring a blush to the Bobsy twins. Now and then Mary asserts herself by interrupting from time to time to say, "O, yes," or "That's wonderful."

MARY BEGAN a representative program by remarking that figures prove that arguments cause an amazing number of divorces and separations.

This upset Gabriel, but he immediately saw the silver lining. It is not arguments, he decided, that cause divorces, but the manner in which people argue. "It isn't what we say nearly so much as how we say it."

As a case in point, he mentioned an old employer who always smiled when he asked employees to correct mistakes.

No figures are yet available which demonstrate the effect of Gabriel Heatter's remarks on the



divorce rate.

MARY THEN remarked that Thomas Edison made 50,000 experiments before he perfected the storage battery. Yet it was Edison's opinion that the failures helped because he learned what wouldn't work.

This little item threw Gabriel

into a perfect ecstasy. "How true that is!" he chortled. "If all of us would learn to take our failures in the same spirit, we could 'chase away all the blues.'" With choking voice, he quoted Lindbergh who said, "we all need a period of spiritual depression."

HAVING SURVIVED this, Mary next offered the item that a woman mayor in Oklahoma predicted the election of a woman president.

This was right up Gabriel's alley. He hoped the mayor was right. He certainly would like to see a woman president. But why, asked Gabriel, is there so much emphasis on the presidency? There are bigger things in life. "To me," said Gabriel, "a woman running a home is just as important as a man in the White House."

Gabriel, you see, has no objections to a woman president, but he wishes that more women would realize that being president of a home is just as important.

THE SPONSOR of Gabriel Heatter's Mailbag advertises a new device for the hard-of-hearing. But after this program, who wants to hear?

Book Notes

SIR WALTER SCOTT, by Una Pope-Hennessy. MRS. GASKELL, by Yvonne French. Alan Swallow. Denver. In the English Novelists Series. \$2 each.

UNA POPE-HENNESSY'S Sir Walter Scott and Yvonne French's Mrs. Gaskell are two new books in the English Novelists Series issued in this country by Alan Swallow. The study of the lives and work of Scott and Mrs. Gaskell are in compact and useful little volumes, a

usefulness which is limited but not eliminated by their social orientation. Students in particular may find of considerable value the work of compression in each of these books, into little over 100 pages, the salient facts of the novelists' lives and detailed description of their works. —R.F.

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VICTORS VANQUISHED
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GIANTS BOW TO CARDS 2-0, STRAND ELEVEN

Those St. Louis Cards, acting very much alive for a ball club consigned to the bone-heap, came into the damp, drizzly Polo Grounds yesterday and left nothing but woe as they shut out the Giants 2-0 in the first game of a foreshortened two-game series. Oddly

Knicks Buy Harlem Ace

**Globetrotters' Clifton 1st Negro on
Local Pro Court Outfit**

The New York basketball Knickerbockers yesterday got that good big man and ended the lilywhite character of the pro league at one fell swoop when they bought Nat (Sweet-water) Clifton from the Harlem Globetrotters, famous Negro team.

Clifton, who is 6-7 but outleaps men taller than himself consistently, is 28 years old and is generally regarded as the nation's second ranking center to George Mikan of the championship Minneapolis Lakers. A fluent and speedy big man with every shot in the book and a few that aren't, Clifton has led the terrific Globetrotters in scoring for the past two years. He also led in scoring during the recent 18-game tour with the College All-Stars, scoring 272 points.

Right now Clifton is playing minor league baseball. He is the first baseman of the Wilkes-Barre team of the Eastern League, a Cleveland farm. Last year, with Dayton of the Central League he batted .324 and hit 11 homers. It was his first in organized ball. But he considers himself primarily a basketball player.

Clifton graduated from Chicago's Du Sable High School and was a star all round athlete at Xavier University in New Orleans before entering the Army. He saw overseas service with the 522d Quartermaster Battalion.

With the acquisition of Clifton, the Knicks, who boast plenty of hard running smaller talent, may well go into the new season co-favorites with Minneapolis — or better.

TUESDAY NITE'S SALIENT FACTS

PIRATES 6, Phils 0. Rookie Bill McDonald of New Orleans makes first start a honey of a three hitter. — Westlake's grand slam beats Meyer.

Reds 6, Braves 2. Guess who? Willie and Knuck Ramsdell, who always told Shotton he was much better as a starter than reliever, fans eight as he wins first start. Roy lumped. Northey homers.

Browns 7, A's 1. Al Widmar, who got late start because of successful holdout, gets going as his 11. record would lead one to expect. Second baseman Friend, of all people, hit two homers, Ray Coleman one as Scheib and Kellner of staggering A's are capped.

Nats 3, Tigers 2. Not night game, but 4 p.m. start at Detroit. Comebacking Hudson wins. Amazing Nats, who have won 12 of 17, score all runs in 9th after Hutchinson tires, making Red Rolfe's plaint about relief pitching louder.

Giants and Cards were rained out at Polo Grounds.

STANDINGS

(Not including yesterday)

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W.	L.	C.B.
Brooklyn	18	11	—
Philadelphia	17	12	1
St. Louis	15	13	2½
Boston	15	14	3
Pittsburgh	16	15	3
Chicago	13	13	3½
New York	10	14	5½
Cincinnati	8	20	9½

GAMES TODAY

Chicago at Brooklyn
St. Louis at New York
Pittsburgh at Philly
(That's All)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	C.B.
New York	21	8	—
Detroit	17	10	3
Washington	17	12	4
Boston	20	15	4
Cleveland	15	14	6
St. Louis	8	16	10½
Philadelphia	10	20	11½
Chicago	7	20	13

GAMES TODAY

New York at Detroit
Boston at St. Louis
Philadelphia at Chicago
Washington at Cleveland

WE DON'T . . .

. . . use our United Press machine while the strike is going on. This hurts our coverage of baseball, but we'll do our best to make what we do even more interesting.

Meet Georgie Small

Georgie Small who fights Kid Cavilan at the Garden tomorrow night, was one of the toughest and strongest kids in Brownsville, which seems strange, because today he is a quiet, mild-mannered youth of 25. . . . Georgie was born on December 25, 1924, son of Moe Small, who is now an assistant foreman with the Department of Sanitation. . . . He still lives in Brownsville and is the last of a parade of good Brownsville fighters that included "Bumby" Davis, Harold Green, Harry Calfund, Dave Rosenberg, Charley Beecher, Pal Silvers and Charlie Goodman.

Georgie has four brothers and three sisters, and has been married three years. . . . His schooling went through junior high. . . . He was so tough and always getting into fights, they called him "Dead End." . . . He tells you shamelessly of how he used to frighten people by swinging from the roof. . . . At 18, after trying various jobs like

enough, they registered the blanking job with two pitchers. Starter Max Lanier hurt himself slightly on a fielding play in the second inning. But righthander Cloyd Boyer, who won 15 for Rochester last season, came in and held fast, while the Giants left a total of 11 runners on the sacks.

The Cards scored off Monte Kennedy, who hurled nicely in the 4th when Slaughter beat out an infield hit, took second on a hit and run ground out and scored

OTHER LOCALS

Yanks were rained out at Detroit yesterday afternoon. Dodgers played the Cubs a night game at Ebbets Field.

on Schoendienst's single to center. Only a sensational backhand stab of a Boyer line drive by Dark, resulting in a doubleplay, kept the scoring down to one. Monte settled down and was only scored on again in the 8th, through a steal of home by Musial on a throwover to first base.

The Giants had chances galore. In the first Irvin walked and Thompson hit with two out and were left. Dark opened the second with a double and Lohrke walked to no avail. Westrum walked in the 4th, Hank Thompson singled and Gilbert walked to fill 'em up with one away but Boyer snared Kennedy's line drive and doubled Wes off third. Last chance came in the 8th when with one out pinch hitter Weatherly walked, Slaughter grabbed Mueller's pinch liner; Thompson walked but Gilbert, after hitting a "foul home run," off only by a few feet, tapped out.

Luck isn't running with the Giants these days. That's for sure.

Good Start at JC for Giants' Negro Hurler

In his first start for Jersey City, southpaw Raul Lopez, bought by the Giants from the New York Cubans of the Negro League, yielded three runs at Baltimore in the first inning, then settled down to six scoreless frames before going out in the 8th for a pinch hitter. Jersey won in the 10th, 5-3.

on the scoreboard

by lester rodney

THE KNICKERBOCKERS really made a move for themselves yesterday when they signed the fabulous Sweet-water Clifton. You can be sure that coach Joe Lapchick won a bitter argument on loosening the Garden purse strings sufficiently to buy the big fellow's contract from the Harlem Globetrotters. The smart ex-Celtic, who dropped a good contract at St. Johns to gamble on the Knickerbockers and the pro league making the grade, knew a few things. Like:

1—The Knicks would never be a real threat to the likes of the Minneapolis Lakers until they got that exceptionally good big man, not just a good big man, but something as close to George Mikan as wore basketball shoes. Clifton is it.

2—Attendance at Knick games dwindled alarmingly late last year. But crowds broke down the doors in record numbers wherever the Globetrotters played. It isn't hard to figure that one way of helping the Knicks' attendance, both at home and abroad, is to get the Trotters' high scoring ace.

3—The breakaway of the rump league poses a real threat in Western interest to the NBA. The new league immediately showed that it would get away from the NBA lily white setup by bidding for Negro players. Sheboygan, for instance, has offered CCNY's Joe Galiber a nice contract. Though NBA prexy, when put right on the spot by this paper, said (for the first time) there was no discrimination in the league, and the Boston team did later put in a draft claim for Duquesne's Charley Cooper, the fans, especially in CCNY-conscious New York, were growingly aware of the odd fact that an entire league couldn't "find" Negro players good enough. Truth is the Knicks had tried to get Don Barksdale of the Oakland AAU team last year, under Lapchick's urgings, but weren't willing to go high enough. Now not only the Knicks, but the league itself is worried, for New York is the key financial spot.

By the way, don't weep for the Globetrotters. Their source of supply is unlimited, including some of the very good players from out of the Negro schools, and to a man they are happy to see Clifton go into the league and perhaps start the whole opening-up process for other Negro players not as famous. Clifton himself, whose Trotter contract is good enough, is making the move out of that consciousness you can be sure. Also to prove the caliber of Trotter ball!

The buying of Clifton is a real ten strike for the Knicks, no doubt about it. Now maybe Lapchick can sell Ned Irish one more important bill of goods to attract more fans. Bring those fantastic boom-period prices down.

WHAT IS THERE to say about the LaMotta-Graziano signing for a "middleweight title" match except that Ray Robinson ought to lead a picket line outside the Polo Grounds the night of June 2, one that would draw more fans marching with him than will be inside the park to see LaMotta, the man Robinson licked four out of five times, meet Graziano, who is properly rated ninth as a title contender by Nat Fleischer in Ring Magazine.

AN ILLINOIS READER asks me if there are enough big leaguers of Italian American derivation to make up one whole team. I checked through the rosters and this is what I come up with:

1b — Caveretta, Phils
2b — Dente, Senators
ss — Rizzuto, Yanks
3b — Glaviano, Cards
lf — Joe DiMaggio, Yanks
cf — Dom DiMaggio, Red Sox
rf — Furillo, Dodgers
c — Berra, Yanks
p — Raschi, Yanks
p — Branca, Dodgers

Not a bad team at all! Let's see anyone take an extra base on that outfield's throwing arms. Caveretta is the only one who is not a first line regular. Now if we could dip into the past—ah, Camilli at first, Lazzeri at second. In at least six spots, this team is All-Star game material. Rizzuto is now the top shortstop in baseball, the DiMaggios, Berra and Raschi and possibly Furillo will make the All-Star teams. Dente, by the way, is rated by ballplayers as a sure coming star.